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An account of all matters and things pertaining to the Boys, living at the centre or First Family.

Union Village. Commencing Monday Morning Aug. 25. '45.
also sprinkled with some of the leading circumstances of the Society as they transpire in the order of time.

By Oliver C. Harpston. Caretaker.

After one year's respite from the painful toils & cares of a caretaker, I was again called to cooperate with Bro. William Ross in the burden of children caretaking, in this our goodly ~~Leamy~~ Centre Family.

Also the following new arrangement of Boys takes place this morning. (with) Oscar Wells John Proctor Nathan A. J. Blowers, Mortimer Wells Wm. H. H. Blowers, move from the North House (their former residence) to the

September 1st '45.

Centre House, & Henry Lena Joseph Trindal & Francis Wheeler move to the north from the Centre.

September 1st. We have been carting dirt for the new house yard & working the public roads, since the 25th Pleasant weather for the season.

During the Month of Sept. we cut the broom corn & scraped it, a few Brethren & the Boys from the D^o Order assisting in the same.

October 2^d 1845. This morning our Good Ministry start on a journey to the east (New Lebanon) and now for 5 or 6 weeks of great anxiety for their return & the revolutionary scenes which are sure to follow the same, in our peaceful Village.

October 3. Boys had a ride out to the Cincinnati & Senia Railroad, where for the first time I ever saw a locomotive in operation propelling cars by steam and it seemed to me to exhibit ~~the~~ the most powerful

sublime & interesting spectacle of Human achievement & ingenuity, ~~of~~ that my eyes ever beheld! indeed far surpassing any thing of the kind I had ever conceived of. We had a very pleasant days excursion, ate breakfast & dinner in the open woods swam and washed in the Miami walked up & down the railroad saw two locomotives leave port & walk a considerable way up the river in order to witness the 3 o'clock train under a full headway and with which we were at length gratified, after which we again seated ourselves in our vehicles & were soon transported to our lovely home. The Boys in the evening expressed themselves well satisfied with their ride & of course their caretakers were, the same October 31st During this month we have been employed in Shoveling dirt for the New House & digging potatoes. The weather has been good & uncommonly dry.



October 10th November 10th Our good Ministry arrived safely at home to day at 9 o'clock P.M. And now look out! For the time has come which will either put to rest many very anxious anticipations and forebodings by fulfilling or disappointing the same. We (the boys) are husking corn. Weather good.

Nov. 12. Wed. This day Moses W. Mayre, David A. J. Fuller, Thos^m J. Fuller, & Esther Jeffries, left Believers, all from the church at W.V. Heart rending thought! Awful! Awful! Awful! for those who loose their Holy Birthright & sink their souls forever! This is certainly a ver melancholy circumstance. Husking corn The Boys still work on cheerfully altho their

hands are much abraded of their epidermis. I can say that altho^o I have never used the ignominious whip in the first instance since I took the lads the last time, yet I have under my care as amiable a set of Boys and as conscientious a set of Believers for their age & privilege as ever saw. I fully believe that Love patience meekness & the fear of God will exert greater^r influence ~~of~~ over children towards Governing, & finally saving them, than all the plans & schemes of corporeal punishment that were ever invented since the first child was created, the hell-begotten & cursed Cat-o'-nine, standing at the head of the grisly list.

This belief is founded on experience & is no chimera with me.

Nov. 13. Thursday. Samuel C. Loney & Louisa Crosby left believers.

Nov. 15. Sat. Charlotte Cothran left the Believers.

November 15. Sabbath. Our Good Ministry gave us some account of a meeting which was held at a house, which was once the possession & residence of Eleazar Bunt esq. formerly a persecutor
of

Believers, but who was long since dead. This house in which
Mother was shamefully abused, she prophesied would witness the
worship of God by believing within ~~its~~ its walls.

The Gathering Order recently purchased the land upon
which said house stood & the Chh. & Gathering Order pro-
ceeded to convene there & hold a meeting while our beloved
Ministry were on their visit to N. Leb. & they (the Min.) were
permitted to attend the same. But for further particulars
behold are the not written in the chronicles of the day!

November 22^d. This day we finish'd the corn, which
has been a long and laborious job. We have been been
blest with very fine wether for harvesting our corn & the
boys have all work'd hard & have been for the most part
cheerful in their labours. I have now the comfort to see
that so far love & charity are the most powerful
& energetic means of subduing the ~~man~~ juvenile mind
to the will of God & to the principles of obedience to his
Gospel of all other influences which can be bro't to bear thereon

6. 7. Propositions 1st. "If you correct children when you are under the influence of anger you put devils into them" Mother Aminecoras. True. My own experience. I have now commenced the ~~study~~^{teaching} of Grammar by Oral Lectures, among the boys which thing I commenced about a week ~~ago~~ ago. They seem to take it quite readily.

November 25.th We had a day of recreation. Walk'd down from to the Gristmill & from there to the square house, where enjoyed a pleasant season of comfort, running wrestling & playing, roasting potatoes reading, making small stone houses & building fires in them &c &c. The day passed off very agreeably & comfortably. Children like men are extremely apt to loose that enjoyment which is within their reach by grasping at that which is out of it. (Eg.) There were several propositions made in the morning, for spending the day to the best advantage

8. as a holiday by four or five several boys, which were not at all practicable nor suitable, wherefore, being disappointed in these proposals, they were for some time sad and listless but as soon as they laid hold on such enjoyments as were easily attainable & in their present reach, (& of which there is always an ample supply if rightly and wisely improv'd.) they immediately brighten'd up & remain'd cheerful & comfortable thro'out the remaining portion of the day.

Nov. 26th Thursday. Snowy and blustering. We staid wittin doors.

Nov. 27th Friday. Mercury 8° above 0. in the morning. We thrash'd wheat. Weather quite fine & bright.

This evening at 8 o'clock, Merc. 3° above 0. Cloudy.

28th Saturday morning Merc. 15° above 0. Snowy. We chop'd 5 cords of wood, shav'd wash'd & got all ready for Sabbath.

Proposition 2^d. If you ~~or~~ would have a boy truly impress him with ^{the} nobleness beauty & excellence of a character of unswerving honesty & integrity & then trust him, trust him to be sure!

December 1st 1845. Cold weather.

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This morning we commence our winter school. Some of the boys quite distressed & disheartened at the idea of the tedious routine with which they anticipate school will abound; but it is my intention as much as possible remove these distressing feelings as much as possible by introducing as much variety as possible as well as as much recreation as will be consistent with their advancement in their learning without rendering the same of no effect at all, rather than which a little ennui had better exist than their whole education lost.

Further more I have fully resolved, that tho' I have but 12 scholars to instruct, yet I will take in no less than 3 more instructors, ^{as assistants to myself} whose names are — Patience, Prayer, & Charity. These are most excellent Preceptors & I doubt not but with their assistance I shall be able most of the time to keep a lively cheer ^{ful}

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I reconciled feeling in the school, free from enmities tediousness drowsiness fretfulness or any of those distressing scenes of insubordination which ~~are~~ always the result of the sad & distressing circumstances above mentioned & which can be avoided only by securing the influence & continual services of those most eminent instructors, "Patience Charity & Prayer."

We expect to teach this winter 'half daily' at the Center. but at present we continue in session throughout the day. Monday Morning December 12th 1845. We commenced keeping school half-daily. Keeping in A.M. & stopping P.M.

December 14th Sabbath Day. Pursuant to a notice given last Sabbath Chh. meeting, we improved this day in the solemn gift of the yearly sacrifice of sin by honestly confessing the same & laying our state open to the view of the Elders & living on pure bread & water.

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This gift was attended to faithfully on the part of the ~~you~~ children under my charge, & to my satisfaction generally. This evening Moses Thayer came to the office. Dec. 15. Moses Thayer goes to work in the blacksmith shop as usual.

December 16. Catharine Proctor came here from Spring-borough to see her son John Proctor. Visited 3 hours at the office & then withdrew. Exhorted John to stay & improve his privilege and never leave believers but obey his faith.

December 18th In school. We commence the science of numbers by the use of tangible objects such as beans grains of corn &c. Among the boys the still-fever prevails to an alarming extent at this time and finally one grade of amusement follows another in regular & unremitting succession, in all of which the greatest interest & excitement prevails, which makes room for

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Proposition 3^d Be liberal & industrious to indulge boys in interesting & innocent amusements & they will not ~~not~~ be near so libble to indulge ^{themselves} in those which are corrupting & criminal. They still continue thro^u the influence of my labours to confess honestly every thing which is wrong & which they have not heretofore open'd & I perceive that this gift does much towards bringing them under my control & influence & they are much ~~more~~ more manageable than they were before this gift commenced. This ~~less~~ breaks their wills, and not their spirit & they ~~are so~~ stand sufficiently committed to bring them into a measure of brokenness & dependance without which no soul shall enter into perfect rest. Therefore my 4th proposition is create a conscience or principle of good in a child sufficient to influence him to that degree that he will confess all his past errors & those which he commits from time in the present tense with a view to forsake them as fast as he can & the

whole work of government is done.

December 18th. 3 o'clock A.M. P.M. We lifted a hole of potatoes, the wind blowing a perfect hurricane of snow most or half of the time & the Mercury ranging at 3 degrees above 0° at 8 o'clock. eve.

December 20th Mercury 10° below. at breakfast time Arches nearly done in our new House.

It is now about 14 years since I confessed my sins & set out to obey God & keep his commandments, & yet up to this time there are very few days which I ~~at~~ have been able to spend to my own acceptance much less to that of my Creator, before whom I must shortly appear, to give an account of my stewardship. Alas! the years fly swiftly away, & leave me far in the distance, as to my travel ~~in~~ in comparison to their flight. But O my God if it please Thee to spare my life to tread the thorny path of this earthly pilgrimage a few more years, (O for yesterday

to come! O! for a month! ~~adrop~~ a year ~~or day~~ or even a single day tho. an age were so small for the much I have to do") I will labour to take warning from past neglect & procrastination & prepare myself from day to day for all future time to bend my course heavenward, without the shadow of turning either to the right or left, & do all in my power to redeem the time that has been squandered in that which produced nothing but barrenness & leanness & distress, and henceforth do all my works with an eye to thy glory & honour & my salvation from the least & last remains of a carnal nature. The visions of past days are now before me & forcibly remind me of the unbounded goodness of God, but what is perhaps of as much consequence, they remind me too of the manner in which I have squandered many, many, of his blessings among the airy votaries of vanity & frivolity. How often have I tasted of the goodness of God & of

the powers of the world to come than the operations of the blessed spirit of inspiration, & then used it all up ~~in~~ in some foolish or unjustifiable way instead of making the best use I could of it & harvesting ~~the~~ the good things thus given to me against a day of need & scarcity & altho' having been warned many times that this day would surely come. I feel truly sensible that the operations of God's Holy spirit among his peculiar people have been far beyond what I expected to see in this life 11 years ago & yet my conscience accuses me of having been very many times neglectful of these precious treasures & scarce of good things. Yet I have often thought I would live according to my most Holy faith, & as often broke these good resolutions. ~~The~~ But I consider that the time ~~of~~ for this criminal neglect of duty has fully come & that there is little enough left to do that work which I see I must do before

16. I can expect to stand unaccus'd before my Conscience and my God. Therefore O my God Help me I pray thee tho thus late to renew my covenant of righteousness & true Holiness with thee, & take me more closely under thy Heavenly wings of protection & set a lamp of light & consolation in my path, that may burn brightly before me thro my remaining days of travel & trial on earth, that at last I may be numbered among the Chosen & the Elect of thy Love & everlasting blessing in that peaceful land where the wicked cease from troubling & the weary are at rest. 57th 11th P
Note. These serious castigations upon myself I have seen fit to insert ~~be~~ here for two reasons First, because they are true & Secondly, because seeing they are true it is profitable ~~the~~ for me often to be reminded of the same by a reference to them. For as the poet says 'Tis greatly
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to talk with our past hours & ask them what
report they bore to Heaven And how they might have
borne more welcome news. — It is now
1/2 past 6 o'clock evening, & If I had not another
day to live I could not more regret the time that
has past than I do.

This is Saturday night— Another week has past
away and left upon its indelible record 86 87 88
I have never been tempted for a half an instant to
give up and abandon my faith, since I first confessed
my sins & I feel now more encouragement to
renew my covenant with God to stand firm to the
end through all trials and afflictions than ever before
December 21st Sabbath noon. 20 min past 11 o'clock
I have often told by other that it seemed to them strange

(18.) why I always got along with is little trouble & I have no doubt but many suppose I have done as well as any of my age in respect to my travel &c. &c.
But there is ~~not~~ no power in human language or signs which can do the justice in describing the scenes of unutterable anguish & tribulation of spirit through which I have passed ~~from~~ for hours days months & years that have past since I first set out in this blessed Gospel. Yet I have made an unalterable covenant with my God to obey the faith with which He has blest me & the Gospel which by His goodness hath been sounded in ~~this ear~~ my Ears, & this covenant I will stick to tho' I may have to walk on my knees to Jerusalem on burning coals of Juniper or tho' I may have to do any thing in the shape of sorrow or sacrifice which can be named. So in witness of this agreement I here sign my name Oliver C. Hampton

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December 23. 1845. two days before Pentecost.

Tuesday, morning. Pleasant weather for winter. Commenced the ovens in our new House. I sincerely pray for a spirit of preparation to meet the solemn day of Pentecost, wherein if we pray aright, we shall be blessed with power from on high & the times of refreshing shall come from before the presence of the Lord.

"But I feel to say, more than anything else
Thy will O God be done & not mine.

As I have lately passed thro. the most heart rending scene of tribulation I ever experienced for the same length of time I thought to penne a few reflections on the philosophy of sorrow, being the results as near as I can describe of my own experience while under the influence of the same.

When the mind is brot. under the influence of a sudden & particular stroke of sorrow, it is immediately drawn in from any attention to extraneous & extraneous

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circumstances of any kind; & is intensely employ'd in turning over & over, every part of the circumstances which are the immediate cause of the sorrow & gloom under which it labours. During this operation, every point of the subject or cause of the trouble is seriously & sadly scrutinis'd that is ^{at} all accessible to the mind, & ~~every~~ this intense scrutiny is never abandon'd untill each successive portion of the subject is distinctly seen in all ~~its~~ possible ways in which it can be presented & that for many scores of times. Out of this painful but unavoidable exercise of the mind, two consequences arise. The unceasing action thus bro't on to one set of nerves ~~lead~~ the total apathy of the rest, throws the neuralgic machinery out of balance & serious nervous derangement is the consequence, resulting finally in permanent disease of the whole body, wasting insanity or rapid decline of the whole system, if not met promptly & check'd by some means or other.

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The 2^d consequence which I think of mentioning is that such ~~as~~ a state of mind is that if it is not of a criminal nature and there is ~~no~~ room for the influence of Hope to operate upon the mind, it will by very slow degrees, begin to react upon those peculiar circumstances which have formerly ministered to his peace. And these first scintillations of comfort which the influence of Hope gives him time to notice, seem to be fragments collected from ~~a~~ the wreck of all those precious & cheering prospects, which a little time before seem'd gone for ever, — Eternally stranded on the ~~the~~ dark and gloomy shores of adversity. The least of these lights which appear at first, seems to be more precious in the eyes of the mind, than all the richest of the east or the mines of Golconda. He who has liberal ideas of the nature of God will seldom abandon himself entirely to Hopeless desperation, if his case be not criminal, & beyond the

(22) reach of hope mercy or recovery; yet it is possible for the mind to be so far sunk in apparently hopeless sorrow as to feel every thing that can be felt on this side of desparation & suicide: so that he can say in sincerity "Eloi Eloi la ma saback tha ni".

In this situation when he seems to be forsaken both by God and man, the least notice from one who has formerly befriended him & whom he has heretofore considered a faithful confidential & sympathetic friend (also a man or woman of sorrow & acquainted with Grief and like circumstances with which the mind is ^{at such a time} surrounded, & can ~~showing~~ show a corroborating evidence of the same by making you know they have a sense of your situation) is as a covert from the windy storm & tempest, & as the ~~shadow~~ shadow of a rock in a weary land. In deed there are moments in the experience of every believer when he feels that

that the least degree of union or commiseration of your case will make a most deep and lasting impression upon you & according to my experience this is generally the first symptom which I notice, by which I am reminded that I yet belong to the social world & am yet in reach of warm hearted beings.

A transient meeting of one of my friends who has a strong mental capability to feel; & who has had this capability chastened by sorrows manifold, is in such cases the most cheering of all other of the bright scenes of consolation which fall to the lot of man to experience in this life.

Yea! the music of such is sweeter ~~than~~ ^{as} the music of Ariel & the echo as if an Angel had spoken. This is the healing balm which will quiet the troubled soul, & make glad the heart of him who before felt his spirits gradually sinking

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down down into the unfathomable abyss of sad sullen
and hopeless desparation. This state of mind is
thus insensibly broken up, for since it has
found some one object to claim its attention
and interest it gradually loosens itself from
the all-concentrating subject of sorrow which has
so intensely fixed and rivetted all its powers,
~~the~~ so recently and when the fountain of this great
deep begins once to be broken up it may be
safely calculated that the most bitter part of the
cup has been swallow'd. I think that the ^{first} nat-
ural aspirations of the soul in severe and heart
rending anguish & sorrow is prayer to the Creator
& sustainer of all things, either directly or thro'
such beings as we may consider to stand near
to him than we do & whom we can therefore employ
as mediators between us & the High & Holy One.

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who inhabiteth Eternity. I have never known
one individual who, otherwise profess'd profound
atheism or partial infidelity, such as Voltaire,
Volney, Bolingbroke, Paine, &c. who did not exhibit
signs of a disposition to call on, & entreat the God
of Heaven for power, succor, & forgiveness, when danger,
distress or death ~~was~~ stared them in the face, putting
their principles & profession to shame & showing them
up to the world in such a light as to sink them
into utter contempt principles, profession and all; far
beneath the notice of reason or argument for a moment.
And the next resort to which man flies, to chase
his gloom & reconvert & tranquilize his mind
is those beings which belong to his own species,
and more especially to those particular individuals
who seem to be group'd in their original formation
of soul & mind essential nature with his own.
The secret spring of it which influences him to
avail himself of these resources in deep distress

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is to be seen in that mysterious, but unsuppressible principle of Hope which springs eternal in the human breast & by which he will always be buoyed up & supported, so long as his case is not so criminal as to extinguish every particle of fuel by which in the soul by which the sustaining principle of hope may be be kindled. And in this case total abandonment of principle to that degree that the spirit is as impenetrable as marble gradually & completely indurates it, or insanity & total alienation comes on & completely wrecks the soul beyond the power of recovery in any manner that I know of save by the immediate interposition of God's power, apart from the common course of things.

December 24th. Wednesday One day before Pentecost I feel much anxiety and solicitude concerning the gift of tomorrow. O that I could have a transient foretaste a faint gleam of what I was to be an eyewitness or that I could receive some clue from on high by which to know how

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to ~~prepare~~ prepare for the high & solemn duties of this day of Pentecost.

Then would my spirit rest in hope & comfort.
Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name thy King-
dom come thy will be done on earth as it is done in Heaven.
This is all the manner in which I can pray & I hope it will
be received in Heaven and my petition granted.

To resume my former subject. Sorrow operates very differently
upon different individuals, & in some respects every individual
has some peculiar way of managing sadness, but nevertheless
it is apt to take very nearly alike with individuals of
like dispositions. With some there can no permanent sorrow
be rivetted upon the soul ~~for~~ but for a very short time
while with others it will remain for months & even years.
This may be partly owing to the natural make of the soul
of some individuals but ~~a~~ this difference much oftener attrib-
able to the physical temperament of persons. Sorrow
is grievous and distressing & borne with uneasiness & anxiety,
by the best of people, but ~~some~~ notwithstanding this it is
often very salutary in its effects & not unfrequently indis-

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pensible to our permant peace, on account of being so far
lost & astray from our God, & warp'd & bent into the chan-
nels of folly and vanity &— & things which are earthly sen-
sual & devilish, that some heavy stroke of Heart-rending
tribulation of soul, is absolutely necessary to stir up the
spark of divinity which is within us, & to make us reach
forth our hands for help & attend more closely unto our
salvation, that we make our calling & election sure & not be
cast down & utterly sunk in the sea of destruction.

And the efficacious change and renewing of our ^{spiritual} life
which these scenes of profitable tribulation afford us
should make us feel patient & reconcild to bear it until
God in his wisdom & mercy may see fit to remove
it ~~from us~~ & let in the light & consolation of His Holy Spirit
to comfort us from our sorrows & heal our broken & wounded
spirits. For tho' it may be grievous at the time yet after-
ward it will yield us the peaceable fruits of righteousness,
by making us walk softly & humbly before our God & our fellow
men, the only condition in which we can feel constantly the

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true blessings of Heaven. So, altho I might say more on
this interesting subject yet I have perhaps said as much at this
time as my time and circumstances will admit. The end.

December 24th 1/2 past 6 o'clock evening. O Heavenly Father
change me that I may be changed! make of
me a new creature, & let my very heart be aspirations
of prayer & supplication unto thee that my heart may
become softened by sweet repentance and contrition, &
that true godly sorrow for sin may take the place of
that which is vain, vicious or impure. As the hart
panteth in the desert for the clear stream, so doth my
soul pant for the showing forth thy salvation in me,
cleansing my needy soul from all that is contrary
to thy Holy Spirit, & filling my troubled spirit
with peace & Heavenly tranquillity.!

December 25th 1845. Thursday. Our Saviour's birth day
& the day of pentecost for the church of God in this day.
Had a good meeting, all the whole society in attendance.
Our Holy Saviour, Mother Ann, with many others of our
Heavenly Parents, Ancient prophets, the 12. apostles & an

(30.) Innumerable host of Holy Angels and departed spirits were in attendance and announced by those gifted to see & hear spiritual things. The glory of God filled the house & the Gifts of Heaven were announced by the inspired ones in an overflowing stream. The gift of Prayer & deep supplication was offered freely to all. Also the gift of repentance was given to all who desired to be made partakers of this best of all gifts. But without attempting to state but a very small portion of what was given in this meeting, we will say that it continued from $\frac{1}{2}$ past 9 A.M. until 15 min. past 3 P.M. nearly 5 hours.

December. 26th Friday. Brethren thrashing wheat. Cows going on in our new House. Weather clear & cold.

It is good for a man that he learn to bear the yoke in his youth. Jeremiah. It is good for a man both to hope & quietly wait for the salvation of God. (S.B.  A.C.H.)

December 27th School A.M. Chopping & splitting P.M. Weather clear
Saturday evening. Reflections. I think that if we must corporally punish a boy or reduce him to mortification it is best to take that means & those plans, which will appear to the offender to be the ~~no~~ natural results & consequences proceeding

out of the offence I think this is the best rule of action that can be followed when it is at all practicable. Illustration. If a boy thro' carelessness breaks a window, forgive him frankly the first time, & take considerable pains to show him the evils which will ensue from it, in a kind good-natured way, closing your labours by a friendly caution, to be more careful in future. And if he carelessly breaks another, then let him sit down by it and let the ~~low~~ chilling breeze blow on him until he feels experimentally convinced of the bad consequences arising from such carelessness. If one sitting is not considered ~~en~~sufficient let him have more (tho' I think one sitting would be quite sufficient for any common case,) for a dozen such scenes is preferable to a flogging or other corporal chastisement.

We all know that when a person is quarrelsome peevish ill-natured & unaccommodating, the consequence is that he will have few friends to talk with him to befriend or accommodate him, & this is the natural result of his actions. So in case of a child behaving in this manner with his ~~next~~ companions I have never been able to find thing so salutary as to isolate him mentally, or disallow any communication between him & the rest of his little companions; he must not give any thing to them nor

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them to him he must not converse with them nor them with him &c. until he feels himself completely taken in a snare of his own setting & all this to be nothing more nor less than the natural results of his own actions & the unavoidable consequences of his bad spirit & temper of mind.

^{no}This medicine if rightly & perseveringly persisted in will always I may venture to affirm effect a radical cure, when ~~it~~ the presence of the above distempers is indicated. And so in many if not all the cases which we usually meet, corresponding punishments or suspensions from common standing may be instituted which will run very nearly parallel with the natural consequences which naturally follow the unrestrained indulgence of any bad passion habit, or obliquity of the mind or body, in a child. And this mode will not only secure an eradication of such habit or propensity but will be found in many other respects to be the best plan all things both present & future taken into consideration. In respect to the present it is a principle & plan most likely to secure good behaviour in the most natural & therefore most forcible way by letting the boy feel immediately the distress effects of bad behaviour. And while he merely suffers the natural consequences of his own actions he cannot complain that his tutor is subjecting him to

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any unreasonable tyrannical or cruel modes of punishment & being on this consideration more reconciled to it he will be likely to gain a real benefit from his sufferings. And if these advantages are to be secured in the present tense, & good habits of thought & actions permanently fastened on the child by this means, what must be the advantages & benefits arising from these ~~premises~~ premises & principles, to the individual, shall have arrived at that stage of life when he will be able to see these matters in the clear light of reason & the more beautiful & brilliant light of the Gospel? When a child comes to the years of maturity & perceives that the whole system pursued by his tutors in his education was according to reason & justice & adapted to the nature of his case at all times, and that he was suffered at times to feel a measure of the results of his wrong actions, only that he might be enabled by to choose ^a the ~~in~~ right path ~~of~~ course of actions, & this choice was thus forced upon him, only because it was calculated to secure to him, the greatest share of present, future & Eternal happiness, then these reflections are beneficial to him in two ways
Firstly.

(34.) Firstly He will be able to see that the system of tuition pursued with respect to him has enabled him to firmly to establish good habits of mind and body & these habits he finds easy & natural to him by being raised in them, & ~~that~~ this comfortable state of things produces in him a spirit of thankfulness & pure Love towards his preceptors & instructors, the reaction of which he will find to be no small stay to him thro' his whole life afterwards.

And Secondly. When sees what watchfulness, pains & unremitting care have been bestowed on him to bring him up in the manner in which has been raised, he will naturally conclude that at the bottom of all this, there must be something which moved his instructors to make such painful sacrifices on their part & such unremitting labours on his part; ~~which~~ some substantial good, to be gained & some great evil averted. That the moving spring of all this labour & toil must be a sacred reality, & at all events, it is in the judgement of his Tutors, calculated to have its influence on him for in a beneficial manner, not only for this short & transitory life, but to

continue its happy influence upon him thro' the Eternal flight (35.)
of ages. And having learnt to respect the judgement of his
instructors, & he will be very much biased by their opinions &
belief & this will be likely to fix his belief in the blessed gospel
of Eternal salvation, than ~~at~~ any other influence which can be
brought to bear upon him thro' all his after life, this side of a
long experience of his own, which of course he cannot without
a beginning of this kind or some other which will produce
the same effects. I have said this much on the above subject
because I believe it to be a very important matter in the man-
agement of the youthful & infantile mind, & calculated to save a
vast amount of suffering in such ways as he always looks upon with
as ignominious tyrannical & unreasonable. For as Solomon of
old said "cherey is seasonable in times of affliction as showers
of rain in time of Drought" + + + + + Dec. 29. 1845. In school.

December 29th Afternoon Meeting. On page 4th, I intimated that
as the beloved Ministry had just arrived home from the
East we might expect to be set at rest on several important

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points such as the filling ~~the~~ of the Ministerial vacancy & touching the contemplated move into our New-House &c. &c. &c. &c.

But to our anxious suspense has been unmitigated by one single disclosure on any of these subjects, from our good Min.

They have that fits to "Lay low & keep dark" on every point which it would be gratifying to a news-monger to know of, & I do not know that that they have told a single matter even to the Elders unless it may be within a few days. "But perhaps the Ball has now

begun to show signs of getting into motion, which you may conclude from what follows. Elder Bro. Eli called me over to his shop & proposed to me to move over to the Brick Shop boys & all plus North Boys plus Henry Reynolds for a second mate, thro' the winter. So I expect this is the beginning of the rolling of the Ball & where O! where will it stop. Lord I pray for more strength for more living power!"

"O Lord do hear hear my prayer grant my soul's desire" "

"Give me strength O Lord I pray To resist temptation "

"Help me keep thy Holy fear In all my words & actions "

(37) December 30th Killed 40. Hogs. Some regulations going on, about fixing the pumps & pipes for the brew house. It is not expected that we shall move into it before the 15th of January. The tinner is also constructing the stovepipes for the House about which so much toil & treasure has been spent. Ends my lay. The winter schooling commences for the North boys, to day. I. Smith, teacher. What more can I say at present Nothing. However I can say that trouble seems to be in the horizon of my temporal & spiritual sky, but by the help of my Lord I doubt not in the last I shall be safely guided thro' it all. Oliver.

December 31st The last day of the year. Fare well 1845. Thou art now gone, yet thou reproachest me with more than one indiscretion, & folly, which could I wipe from my memory I would be happy, but alas! this cannot be. And even if could it might not be so well for me as the way things are. If I could send from my troubled vision, all those follies & sins, which over shadow the face of the last revolving year so they might no more be seen upon the booming sea of memory, I might be lulled & tempted into the same giddy round & instead of making the Heavenly port, be blown in time so far to windward as to be cast away from

(38.) among the barren & bleak rocks of eternal destruction. Therefore tho' it is painful in the extreme to take a retrospectively view of the last year, yet it is my sincere desire that I may learn by what I now suffer & what I have heretofore suffered, to improve my future time & ability to the glory of God & in uncompromising obedience to my own conscience & the requirements of the Gospel. It truly feels to me a momentous consideration that the time I have yet to remain on the earth is so short & the road I have to travel in this time is so long, & my work so great! Yet I trust that by prayer & deep supplication I shall be able to do what is required by my God, who is a God of mercy & heareth the cry of the penitent the poor & the needy. This evening my mind is seriously affected with thoughts & resolutions which I feel ~~to~~ moved to adopt for the coming year. And indeed the beginning of ~~the~~ a New Year seems to be an epoch in the affairs of any person whose present & future interest is in the Gospel life only, & whose final end & aim is to possess a mansion of peace & eternal felicity in Heaven, at which he is aroused to such momentous reflections as ~~the~~ critically examining his past & present condition & making

such arrangements of his for his future travel, as will be most (39.)
likely to forward his future progress in the good work of salvation.

To this end I have been moved to renew my covenant with
God, in ~~every~~^{all} points of duty generally & some points particularly.
Also I feel to form some new plans of going for the future
by which I hope I shall be enabled to walk more closely with
God & live a life of greater purity & devotion to his Holy Cause.
And again I shall certainly be more careful hereafter to use
& not abuse the gifts of God, nor squander the same by giving
myself so much latitude for the indulgence of vanity & priority.
For many times (I say it with unspeakable regret & sorrow)
have I suffered these enemies to all good to come in & steal
away the good seed, which with so much industry & care, I
had been able to store up for my sustenance & on account of
which intrusion of ~~the~~ vanity or other evil spirits I was obliged
to suffer the pangs of ~~hunger~~ spiritual starvation & barrenness.
And more than once ~~have~~ while I slept has an enemy entered
my field & sown tares, which lamentable fact is but too well
proved by the fruits which it is my painful prerogative to behold at
the end of this year's harvest. Therefore to guard against these

(40.) distressing circumstances which bring such weakness, death and desolation, of spirit, I have thought fit to enter into the foregoing train of reflections, & to renew my covenant with God to walk more faithfully in all things in future; "to fear God and keep his commandments for this is the whole duty of man." I do certainly desire to spend the coming year in a far more perfect manner than any which has preceded it, and make my calling and election surer by far than my past travel has rendered it so far. I desire to come onto ground of more softy power & assurance than it has ever felt to my lot to feel since I first began my pilgrimage to the Heavenly Jerusalem.

And now O God of Heaven who art a searcher of all hearts & a trier of all reins, & before whom I stand, & before whom I renew this my solemn & sacred covenant of righteousness & true Holiness & ~~Holiness~~ Bless & prosper me in these my good resolutions & promises & protect & keep my soul in softy by day & by night that I may walk in thy Holy fear & in thy righteous precepts & them alone from this time henceforth & forever. Yea! in the words of Iabez of old I would say,

(41.) "O that ~~thou wouldst~~ bless me indeed, and enlarge my
coast and that thine hand might be with me & that
that thou wouldst keep me from evil that it may not
grieve me". Perhaps some may wonder at the severity of
these strictures upon myself. But this I cannot help, & if
such persons are not troubled with any of these things, I am
happy to know it. However! I write exactly as I feel
& I would ~~do~~ not deceive myself in this matter, if my
sentiments should cause ten times as much wonderment
as they do, for I believe I know the secrets of my own
hearts better than any person living. Oliver W Hampton.

JANUARY 1st 1846. New Year's Day.
Weather warm and rainy. Rainbow in the morning.
I am fully resolved to cease from vanity and folly &
henceforth live soberly and righteously in this present
evil world. I am determined to live in greater purity of
soul and body & in a greater degree of devotion to God and his holy

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way & work of salvation, from every principle and propensity of evil. I am determined live temperately & use the blessings of God as not abusing them, & the Heavenly giftings of his Holy Spirit will I improve in a more acceptable manner than I ever did before. In witness of the same I here sign my name and affix my seal on this 14th day of January 1846. C. C. Hampton.

School in session all day to day on account of rainy weather. Boys coming to a close with the gift of the yearly sacrifice, (viz) opening their minds & confessing every sin with committed since the came among believers or in the world.

January 2^d. In school all day. Bad weather. Colder.

I feel thankful this evening for the protection I have felt & the measure of gift I have been able to keep. O. C. H.

Prop. 5. Proposition 5th. After all, the grand secret of governing the youthful & infantile mind, considering consists in

governing ourselves, all other theories to the contrary notwithstanding.

Proposition 6th. Ifs your system necessarily ~~is~~ included such penalties as temporary suspensions, from union, mental isolation &c. (~~It~~ And I boldly state that these are the severest modes which are at all necessary in a general way in the government of children) be sure you are never influenced by fear favour nor affection from inflicting the penalty. For altho it may be never so light yet the certainty of its infliction will make it ~~more~~ forcible, than the severest penalty which is half the time neglected & which gives ~~them~~ a child room to hope that his offence will be one of the exceptionable ones from the penalty.

January 6. Tuesday. Preparations for the "Big Move" are still going on. & it is said that the day fix'd upon for important revolution is the 13th day of January 1846. Be it so! I say.

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January 6. 1846. Tuesday. P.M. In school on account of bad rainy which by the by is by no means uncomfortable within doors, being warm & pleasant, with an incessant drizzling of rain. "Come good angels gather round me with a blessing to attend me, Fill my ~~mouth~~ ^{heart} with soul with Love & union
Fill my mouth with songs of praise Make me happy, pure and humble make me low make me good make me feel in health and sickness life and death my all in Heaven" Our sufferings are all given for some good and wise purpose, & in their administration I can see the intention of God to bring me more and more into a state of brokenness and dependance upon his power & protection for my present & future comfort & prospects of "Happiness." ~~affa affa affa~~ And the clear apprehension of this, makes me feel a spirit of reconciliation to any condition of sorrow & tribulation which it may please my Heavenly Father to appoint unto me. Oliver L.H.

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Thursday evening after 6 o'clock. I have kept the school all day to day which, ~~being~~ unusual & therefore tiresome to me as well as the scholars, I feel tired and listless & the day besides being cloudy & rainy & in that way disposing the mind to gloom, has been unusually tedious, particularly to the scholars who have exhibited a degree of stupidity, unsurpassed by any preceding day since school commenced.

But school has closed for the day & I feel as tho. I wanted to unburden my mind for a few moments, by lively conversation with some Bro. or sister & release myself from all burden about school or scholars. Yet - how do I know that this is best? How do I know but there is some kindly vigil hovering around ready to proffer its protection, & cheer me with some ministrations from the inexhaustible source of all good, & which in connection with ~~and~~ those good feelings which I shall feel from a faithful discharge

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of my duty among my Charge, my ^alight up a little heaven of comfort and releasement at home - without going any further to seek for the same.

Now do I know that releasement is profitable for me at this time, & will tend to increase my travel & present gift, & indeed may not positively decrease the same? Of all these things I am in more or less uncertainty & caution and wisdom seem to be quite necessary in such a case.

It is true that if this could be set by itself as an individual case, which should have no influence further than the termination of itself it would be a matter of small consequence whether I go or stay at home.

But seeing that If I go, I shall henceforth look upon the circumstance as a precedent, which will meet my approval or ~~disapproval~~ disapprobation, & henceforth & which will more or less influence ^{me} ~~any~~ in future in a good way or a bad way, therefore I deem

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it profitable to think just this much on the subject before I take this (to many) unimportant step.

Perhaps if I leave the children for a time alone they may get into some difficulty, the blame of which I will have to saddle upon myself at my return, on account of knowing that I might have prevented it, had I stood among them.

The chagrin & loss of peace which I would suffer on account of ^{one} such a circumstance as this would overbalance any enjoyment or reassurance, I might be able to find during my absence. But on the other hand this might not be the case, but if it should not, I might be tempted to try the experiment at another time when such would be the case. But as I said before, it might not happen & when I returned I might feel no small comfort at being able to find that my charge would not betray that confidence which I reposed in them, & this I might make a subject of encouragement & praise to them.

(48) which would be beneficial in the highest degree.
Again! a mischief-maker might enter and infuse
a deadly poison among them & then he might
not & indeed would under present circumstances
be very unlikely to. "Well! Here goes for the ex-
periment. . . . (I spent perhaps an hour in conversation) - I have now
returned & all is well I have had an agreeable conver-
sation with two or three Br. on the subject of the
~~and~~ cultivation of the ground fence, Trees &c &c -

But when I give my judgement fair play I
rather think I should have felt better to have
remained at home. And the reason is because I
should have been more strictly in the wake of those
circumstances where God has seen fit to place &
lay out my duty & therefore where I believe the
Guardian Angels of Heaven will extend to me their
kind protection & show heavenly ministrations, which
of power, comfort and blessing, which will enable me
to stand & by which I shall be able to go thro all sufferings

(49) & temptations, & without whose ministrations, I must languish and die. Therefore feeling these things to be truths I shall hereafter devote myself more exclusively to my gift, be it sorrow or joy, than I have hitherto done knowing this that for every sacrifice which I shall freely make for Christ's sake & the Gospel, I shall have my reward in Heaven in company with just men & women made perfect through sufferings; where our peace shall be as a river & our righteousnesses as the waves of the sea. There we shall dwell in that ~~glorious~~^{celestial} mansion of felicity, prepared for us from the foundation of the world & where the eternal sunshine of Our Heavenly Father's Love shall beam serenely upon us after millions & millions of ages have rolled away!

Jan 7. Wednesday in school & chopping wood cloudy weather
Jan 8. Day on which the Battle of Orleans was fought & Gen. Prekenham fell. Brethren moving the wood shed to the new House. I have thrilling anticipations of next week.
A few minutes past 1 o'clock, the Brethren got the

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woodshed under way, but unfortunately as they were ~~exactly~~ exactly in the centre of the Road (highroad) it fell down by some circumstance of opposition which it met and down it came with a tremendous crash, parting assunder in several places & remaining a perfect wreck in the street. Fortunately no injury was sustained by any of the Brethren or Open employd on the occasion.

Jan. 10. Saturday. Weather pleasant, sun shining. School in session A.M. Expect the Ministry home to day. My whole soul is absorb'd in prayer three days for power to travel swiftly and constantly increased in purity & true devotion to God from day to day.

Abit. This day Bro. Wm Davis, Sen. departed this life aged 64 years & 27 days. Complaint resembling Acute Rheumatism according to Doct. C. D. Hampton. He has been a firm pillar in the Gospel since its first promulgation in the West, & since that time he has pass'd thro' many trying scenes of sorrow & danger, for which he has now gone to receive his reward of peace & eternal Rest deeply lamented by all who have a right sense of his merits.

January 11th 1846. Sabbath meeting ~~for~~ of the chh. was (51)
cheerful & lively. During the labour, Elder John proposed
for the sisters to sing and all the Brethren to dance
& afterwards, ~~to~~ the sisters were requested to take the
Brethren singers' place, & a few minutes after to take
a position by the North window and there sing, the
Brethren at the same time taking the sisters side
of the house & the non-singing sisters taking the S^d side.
Much power & gift was displayed & considerable inspired
gift manifested on the occasion. A sacred & Holy
spot of ground was discovered upon our premises
by an inspired instrument ($\text{iii } 7' 7 \# 6 \parallel +$) wherein grew
the Beautiful Tree of Love & the fountain of Eternal
Love was a little to the East, guarded by a Holy band
of Angels. This is very cheering indeed!

At the close of the meeting we were all exhorted to
labour for pure love enough to make us perfectly
reconciled to every gift, we might be required to take
hold of this week, intimating that there would no doubt

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But to return from this sorrowful digression
I will here insert the Paper which was drawn up
by & read, by the Committee of arrangements, before the
meeting of the Centre and Brick Families, on the
evening of the 12th assembled at the Centre or Brick House,
concerning the list, lot, & place of every individual be-
longing to or to belong to the First Family under the
present arrangement.

^{my}The Order in which the Brethren
and Sisters are placed in the new
House at the time of the great move.
First or basement story beginning
at the South-East corner & of east
windows fronting the Street, call'd.
Number 1. Jesse Legier, Edwin M. Burnham,
Joshua W. Galloway, Clark Valentine.

No. 2. Sisters side, East windows fronting street.
 Eunice Loring Sophina Whylar, Susanna
 Liddell, Eliza Hunt, Abnerah J. Drevitte
 No. 3 Amos Valentine James Smith
 Cornelius Campbell, Samuel Parkhurst,
 David Price, Daniel Redman Joseph
 Francis

No 4. Mary Hopkins, Mary Spinning
 Senath Edie, Salome Dennis, Sally
 Wallace Nancy Rollins, Polly Clark
 Jun.

No. 5. Elder Brother Eli Houston, ^{Bro} Mrs
 Parkhurst,

No 6. Elder Sister Lucy Faith, Sister
 Nancy M. ^{M.} Norman.

No 7. George Legier Sanford ^{S. R.} Russell
^{Wm} Reynolds ^{Wm} Ross, Andrew W. Baty John
^{J. D. & Co.}

and also gave each member, an early year in 1840.

(56) No. 8. Sister Ann Parkhurstson or Parkinson
Malinda Duckhaman Anna Brownfield
Patience Naylor, Viney McNamee, Denisa
Houston, Lucy Miller, Ruth Darrow, Marietta
Agnew (Agneaux) Lucina Risley
No. 9. (3rd Story.) Stephen Spinning, Wm. Moore,
Wm. McFarland, Israel Trotter, Moses W. Thayer
John Reynolds, Wm. Jennings, Edward Y.
Myers.

No. 10. Lois Spinning Malinda Watts Mary
Beal Polly Clark (sen.) Rachel Dennis
Eunice Dennis, Susan C. Liddell, Emily
V. Patterson, Martha Scott

No. 11. Hervey L. Eades Daniel Miller Henry Lamm
James Amphlett, Henry Reynolds Marguerite L.
Pass, Samuel M. Lacey, Augustus D. Eades,

No. 12. Jane Buchanan Clarissa Patterson, Peggy
Knox

57) Abigail Clark, Lucy Dennis Malinda
Lockwood Sarah - Jane Baty, Susannah
M. Brady.

No. 13. Charles D. Hampton Cephas
Holloway, Athiather Rabbit.

No. 14. Eunice Patterson Temperance Baily
Shebe Steward, Eliza Jane Brady.

No. 15. James Hodge, Wm Bridge, Samuel Tuthill,
Marquis D. L. Damon, Thomas T. Fuller.

No. 16. Ruth Williams Mariah Graham, Betsy
Sibberghien, Peggy, Dragger.

No. 17. Letta Lockwood, Polly Hunt, Susanna
Redmon, Lovina S. Woods.

No. 18th Charity Hauston, Rebecca M. C. Kela,
Sally Hunt, Rachel Duncan.

No. 19. Julia Hampton, Amanda Johnson,
Ann Mariah Myers, Martha Ann E. Blowers.

(58) No. 20. Elizabeth Legier, Hannah Holloway,
Hannah Carson, Polly Hardin.

No. 21. Thomas Hunt Daniel Serring Abner
Bedel.

No. 22. Ashbel Kitchel Jacob Holloway
Levi Mc Nemar.

Second House. North East Room

Prudence Johnson, Betsey Gandy Anna
Middletton, Elizabeth Holloway.

East end, Second House (formerly Kitchen part)

Second Story, South East Room, Elizabeth

Larr, Mary Ann, Jennings, with the care
of the large Girls & means transferred to Book. A. Chh. Rec'd.

North side East end over against E. Larr & M. & C.
Jennings, Elcia Patterson & small Girls

Girls' names & ages Harriet Ross born May 7th 1832.

x Indiana Pace Born Oct 3rd '32. x Leah J. Lawish Born Feb. 10th 1833.

x Rachel Stafford Born May 1st 1833. x Mary M. Lockard " Sept. 19. 1833.

* Mary Melissa Green Born Dec. 5th 1833. * Ellen Ross Born July (59.) 1836.
 * Bethia Chase " Apr. 25th 1834. * Eleanor Stafford " Apr. 10th 1837.
 * Matilda A. Miller " July 27th 1834. * Rosaria S. Lawish " Dec. 12th 1837.
 * Mary J. Stafford. " Jan. 1st 1835. * Sarah Blowers. " Sept. 15th 1838.
 * Emeline Lockwood. " July. 15th 1835. * Helen M. Hill. " Mar. 1st 1841.
 * Emeline A. Blowers. " July 4th 1841. * Elizabeth A. ^{Hill}Blowers Apr. 19th 1844.

In the Brick Shop South of the office, Oliver &
 Hampton, Henry O Hampton with the care of
 the ~~boys~~ Boys.

Names and ages of Boys. * Geo. S. Howard Born. Jan. 17. '42.
 * J. L. D. Ace. Born. Feb. 11th 1831. * Jas. Trindal Born May 2. 1834.
 * Oscar Miles " Mar. 4. '31. * David West " Dec. 9. 1834.
 * John Proctor " Dec. 15. '31. * Leason Trace " Feb. 21. '35.
 * Thos. S. Lilipon " Dec. 15. '31. * Henry Gena " Dec. " '35.
 * Nathan A. Blowers " Dec. 15. '32. * E. J. Rose. " Jan. 24 1839.
 * Joseph M. Duca " Jan. 1. '33. * Joseph Trindal " Dec. 25. '39.
 * Mortimer Mills. " Mar. 12. '33. * F. R. Wheeler. " Aug. 6. 39.
 * Geo. M. Lawrence " July 26. '33. * Geo. Douglas. " Sept. 15. 1839.
 * Wm. H. H. Blowers. " Jan. 4. '34. * Rufus M. Rose " Aug 6. 1841.

60. January 19.th 1845. Monday morning.

In school Weather rather bad for work

To day a Caucus of Min. El. Br. & Deacons was held
devising temporal measures: for getting wood &c &c
together with some changes of occupations among the Brethren.
Bro. Wm. Reynolds goes out of the Blacksmith shop.
Levi M^r takes care of sheep. Perhaps W. Reynolds
will leave the Shoeshop. Tin-shop suspended for
the present! Sanford Russell works in the Black-
smith shop with Moses Thayer, & Henry Eads
goes to work in the taylor shop.

January 21st Wed. A very heavy fog, & damp weather
Brethren threshing wheat or oats.

Let me die the Death of the Righteousness
and let my last End be like his. (ii) Let me
live the life of the same. Oliver C. Hampton.

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January 24th 1848. In school. The First Fam.
are now borrowing wood by the cord from the 2.
Order. May I keep below all danger
Where the raging tempests blow
May I ever be a stranger
To this world of sin and woe.

January 25. Sabbath. "Remember the Sabbath
day to keep it Holy." Moses. Chh. meeting was attended
by the Holy Saviour in person, as well as the Apostle
Peter, the Prophet Isaiah & many of the
Heavenly Host. A celestial fire was kindled
in every part of the Holy Sanctuary to burn per-
petually; the illuminations to be conducted by
Elder Issachar & the Holy Prophet Isaiah
This fire was kindled for the children of Zion, that
by it they might be purified & purged from all impurity,
by its consuming influence & purifying operations upon
all who would patiently submit to the same. The Holy
Saviour also gave each member, an easy yoke to wear.

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Continued. These yokes the Holy Saviour said would enable us to feel that our burdens were light, & we would be able to find rest to our souls. The Golden Car richly laden with rich treasures from the Holy City in Heaven, & which was given out in profusion to us, on Saturday evening entered the Holy Sanctuary this P.M. & gave us again of the same in rich abundance.

At the close of meeting the Holy Saviour addressed it to the following effect. "Dearly beloved, my mission to you & the gift I am clothed with is to lay before you some admonition & warning which is chiefly applicable to the young and rising generation. In the first place concerning the gift of thankfulness. This is a gift which has not been gained by the youth and rising generation in the degree in which it ought to have been gained. For at this moment there are hundreds and thousands of wretched beings destitute of the common necessities

(63) January 26th 1846. Sabbath meeting description (63)

Continued. "of life natural, & many more who are without the knowledge of the ~~great~~ true God and groaning under the bondage of sin praying for deliverance from the same.

At the same time here in the chh. of God there is comfort and peace both spiritual and temporal and salvation for all who are desirous to gain it.

In all this is a mystery of God, which many perhaps marvel at, but in the end of all things it will be found that in the estimation of God all souls are alike worthy of His blessing & mercy. Therefore I warn all the young and rising generation to labour for thankfulness and gratitude for the goodness and mercy of God in bestowing upon them the unspeakable boon of salvation, for in the end it would be required at their hands, and they were under a deep and heavy responsibility in regard to the manner in which they improved & appreciated so great a privilege. In the next place

said the Holy saviour I desire to speak unto the young and rising generation concerning that interested feeling in temporal matters which it is the duty ~~of every~~ and privilege of every faithful child of Mother to cultivate, and in which as well as in spiritual things every soul must gain a living and abiding interest or never be able to gain salvation. We ought all to set out anew to gain an increase in this matter, so that you would feel reconciled to devote your precious time & strength in building up the prosperity of this Holy Chh. of God on the earth in a temporally as well as spiritual point of view. You may suppose that this improvement of your time in industrious hand labour, will bring you under an unbearable bondage but remember dear children, that this will not be half so intolerable as that bondage which will be sure to result from a different course. You should take it for granted that all the prosperity, burden, &

(65) interest of the chh. is as much yours as any one's & there-
fore you should be as free to devote your time and ability
to build up and support the same as any others.
When you see that are not in order; when you see
cattle or other animals in the places where they should
not be; when you see fences down gates open or
latches off, you should pay immediate attention to
the same & feel unrelaxed until such matters are
at right, and when you cannot do it yourself lay the
matter before those who can set it right. There is
too much of a sense among the young which prompts
to such language as the following when they see
things out of repair or other disorders. "This is not
my business and therefore I shall take no trouble
nor burden about it, but leave it to those whose
business it is to more immediately attend to such
things." But I assure you that every member
of the chh. has a burden to bear and a duty
to discharge in these matters, and no one can

(66.) expect to inherit a blessing and final peace, who is not willing to have his nearest and dearest interests & affections associated with those of the holy Chh. of God in this place & that only. These are about the words which the Holy Saviour spoke as near as recollected.

January. 28th Wednesday. The Worley case of litigation about to commence against believers concerning the land formerly owned by Nathaniel Worley the Father of Joshua Joseph & Rebecca Worley. The suit is entered in the name of Joseph Worley and others, versus Peter Boyd & others.

Peter Boyd and Sige Geo. L. Smith have gone to German town on this business. Started this morning.

January 29th Thursday This evening ~~George~~ George L. Smith Esq. attended our evening meeting as a Spectator. An unusual occurrence. He is one of our retained lawyers, & will be employed in the Worley Suit, One Webb, Esq. of Hamilton engaged as counsel

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for the plaintiffs. A new log walk is laid across the street from the 1st to the D. house to day. Mild weather. The larger boys attend school 1/2 daily & the smaller ones all day. A few lambs are born.

"While o'er the troubled Sea of Time My bark does swiftly sail
"Lord guide me safe thro' every storm protect me thro' each gale
"O leave me not O Lord I pray In darkness nor distress
"But Lead me in thy Holy way lesson me with peace at last.

This is my humble & penitent prayer at this time
January 31st. Saturday morning. Very mild weather & quite a muddy time. This day the following duties need to be done: Keep 3 or 4 hours of school; Have all the boys wash clean from head to foot; Wash shoes & greasy; Hear the larger ones open their minds; Clean School-house by mopping, and if time permit, have some corn pops. Get window-pins; Enquire to the ~~school~~ shoe-shop to be lawfully seized of sundry Pine Boxes left at their old stand.

Now for the issue of all this matter; by evening, at which time I shall retrospect the whole. See next page.

(68) January 31st 1846. Saturday. 11 o'clock. A.M. (68) 65
The appointed hours of school I have kept, ~~and~~ and
have got the window-pins. I am now washing
the smaller boys. 1/4 past 12. I am now done washing
the little boys & mopping up the closet.

5 minutes before 3 o'clock I have sent two boys
off to Pop Corn ~~per~~ per agreement in the morning.
I must rally my spirits a little, for I feel a little
like a spirit of despondency and gloom was gathering
upon me. Come cheerful resignation and remain
with me and not depart! Compose my mind
into serenity & peace!

January 31st Saturday. I have been disappointed in my
mopping up the School Room. The sisters came over &
did it for us which is very kind. I could not for want
of time have the shoes greased, but in every thing else I
have met my morning engagements thro' the day un-
failingly and I now feel comfortable in the retrospect.
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8) (69) February. 1st 1846. Sabbath. Had a good chh. (69)
Meeting. Considerable of inspiration and communication
from the Heavenly World. Angel of wisdom present.
Gave a very encouraging message to the chh. for a
full description of which see C. D. Hamptons Spiritual
Journal.

February, 2^d Monday. Henry Hampton left the
Society & cast his lot in Sodom. Pretty terrible this.
First O. D. Order scholars convened for an exhibition of
their improvement, in the sciences, before a company of
gentlemen from Lebanon. Judge Smith ~~Judge~~
~~Carroll~~, ~~A. H. Conkey~~, ~~Charles L. M. Burney~~ ~~from Lebanon~~
~~Dr. L. L. L.~~ ~~Laurea~~ ~~Smith~~, ~~Perkins~~.

The chh. are keeping this day in accordance with
the requirement of the Sacred Roll to that effect.

Here are the names of the gentlemen from Lebanon who
came to visit the school. Geo. J. Smith Atty. Andrew L.
M. Burney Atty. Lauren Smith Atty. John Kelly, Oneal Atty.
James M. Smith Student at Law, Wm Probasco, Ditto.

(70.) They expressed themselves in terms of the highest approbation (70.)
of Scholars School & Instructors, & after partaking of
an excellent dinner, ~~the~~ and being conducted into our
New dwelling house and over the premises by my
amiable & worthy friend St. L. Eads, they started for
home in very high spirits and extremely pleased with
their visit and treatment. No doubt but a good im-
pression has been made upon them. One man said he
had not passed so happy a day hardly in his life as this
was to him. They expressed in many ways their comfort
and satisfaction they felt on the occasion & I doubt not
but the holy Angels & our heavenly parents were hover-
ing around the chh. this day. In the evening at yaclock
we had a good meeting. Much life & power & much of the
gift of divine inspiration was displayed, & the evening passed
off in peace & general satisfaction & tranquility.

Feb. 4th Wednesday. Edward Yellmyers decamp'd. Poor Wretch!
The weather is extremely pleasant for Feb. Some are chop-
ping wood. Otherwise things going on as usual in winter.

71) I have now introduced into the school a regular system^{71.}
of ~~cards~~ by the use of cards, adapted to each class &
so that one does not infringe upon another in time
of recitation or other employment in which my par-
ticular attention is necessarily engrossed with a
particular class. I find that much more bus-
iness can be accomplished in this manner than any
other.

Feb. 6th Friday Brother Daniel Loring goes to
White Water. Our good Ministry are now at Waterville,
to which place they started on the inst.

February 7. Saturday. In school. Scholars im-
proving perhaps more rapidly than at any previous
time this winter. It is now 3 minutes till 3 o'clock
and our good Ministry have arrived home from
Waterville! and are just passing in at the Ward gate.
Time passes swiftly away our moment we can't
recall. How carefully should we then improve it. -

(72.) February. 9th 1846. Monday.

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Proposition.
It is absolutely necessary for a caretaker continually to be clothed upon, with long suffering and patience In order to the well being of those under his care. Yea! his charity and mercy, ~~and~~ should endure forever & his kindness & forbearance have no end. Without these gifts he will do an incalculable sight of injury to ^{the souls under} his charge and no good.

Therefore O God! Grant I pray thee thy Holy Love, patience, resignation, & tender mercy unto me that as I have been born with thine all my imperfections, short comings, & obliquities of character by thy long forbearance and mercy, so I may likewise be able to bear with these poor helpless children & be able always to exercise judgement & discretion, so well blended & tempered with charity and tender mercy, patience & forbearance, as to secure their ~~good~~ final, & greatest possible good both in this life & that which is to come. Oliver C. Heanpton.

Breth. L. Legier & C. Valentine start for Cincinnati with 176 head of sheep. Beautiful Weather. This morning I heard a Dove cooing for the first time this year. O.

72 13.) February 11th 1846. Wednesday.

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This morning I met Judge Smith at the Office in company with B. Blackburn Esq. and another person whom I did not know. ^{They} are come to take depositions on ~~this~~ the Worley case now pending in the court of Equity. The case is something like this. Joseph Worley is trying to get possession of 60 acres of land, in Union Village which his Father Maledam Worley own'd once, but which he ~~deced~~ sold to Peter Deas, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp, in consideration of the sum of — \$8-etc. The ground upon which the said Joseph considers the case actionable, seems to have grown out of the prospect of ~~him~~ he the said Joseph, being able to prove that the said Maledam his Father, at the time that the deed was drawn was not sufficiently sane to know what he was doing. They are now employ'd preparing the case for trial. "Go it" Jasey! Wooden Legs are cheap (11).

(74) February 12th 1846 Thursday.

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Several men at the Office, Worley case going on.
Bright School Defunct. Institution blow'd sky high!

Feb. 14th Saturday. Heavy snowing thro' the
night and continuing with unabated fury till
Breakfast time after which more moderate &
now (2 o'clock past 10.) hailing or sleeting.

This morning Elder John Martin Peter Boyd
H. L. Eades to Lebanon on the business of the
Worley Case. Bro. Harvey I fear will never
make a Lawyer because he will forever prefer
whole ^{sale} unpremeditated assertions & superficial railery
to sound argument ~~and~~ deduc'd from minute &
patient investigation. However "go ahead" Try it anyhow.

Janette Leah Sawick a girl of 14. y. moves from the Girl
Order to the New House. No. 18. We are still running
in debt to the Order for wood I wish spring would come
I now have "Bro" Joshua Galloway to live
with me which is a great comfort I tell you in these hard
times.

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February 15th Sabbath.

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This evening our meeting was ~~as~~ quite remarkable on some accounts. After singing a few minutes & a few new songs, dancing commenced with much zeal & a great degree of life and energy and love to each other were exhibited among the Br. & S. the good Ministry being present. After a few minutes the dancing ceased a little, & Sister Elizabeth Farr, was taken under the gift of repentance and was very feelingly exercised therein.

Also many inspired messages were received, urging all to the same gift with great earnestness & all to partake freely of the waters of repentance which were bratⁿ from the Heavens by our Heavenly Parents & the Holy Angels, a particularizing of all which messages it is not now in my power to bestow. We were all exhorted to watch and pray, & to say if we were not willing to watch with our Heavenly Parents for one night, to which there seemed to be a universal assent given. Thus we went on singing & praying & entreating the good ^{spirits} our Heavenly Parents & each other for this blessed gift until 11 o'clock when we retired to rest.

(76.) February 17th 1846. Bro. H. L. Eades goes to White Water (77.)
to cut out garments.

Feb. 18th Wednesday First Order moved the wagon shed
from the orchard stand, & placed it west of the cow-barn.

Feb. 20th Friday. David Eastwood & Addison Sandstead came
here from Waterville. Snow & windy day.

Feb. 22^d 1846. Sabbath Day. Chh. Meeting. This meeting
was characterized by a still greater increase in the good gift
of Repentance than any time since Monday evening.

A great display of the good gift of inspiration and a more
real and overwhelming sense & sight of the goodness of God
I never felt. Much power & energy were present among
the Bre. & Sisters but it is impossible to relate particulars unless
I had time and papers which I cannot now have.

And as these things will doubtless be registered
by those who took notes upon the spot, I shall for-
bear any further remarks on this interesting subject.

Why does not Bro. Werry come home from White Water,
especially when he is losing so much by staying away?

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Feb. 23. 1846. 25 minutes before 2 o'clock. We are in instant expectation of visitors from Lebanon, to visit & examine the School & Scholars. Ah! here they are, A. W. Cunlery, ———— Lydman A. G. M^c. Buring, Wm Probasco ———— Cunlery, son of A. W. Cunlery, all of Lebanon. They are all likewise I believe Lawyers. 1/2 past 3 o'clock. They are now about to take their leave, which they did with little ceremony, & saying but little about the school pro or con.

These scenes have now closed, of this kind ~~and for~~ for this term and I am thankful for it. There is indeed very little of the spirit of Sweet Repentance and contrition in this kind of business and ~~as~~ this is my whole theme at this time therefore I desire to devote my mind exclusively to it, in prayer and deep supplication to God and Holy Mother and also to walk in deep tribulation & prayer & seek ~~the~~ ~~as~~ with carefulness & tears this sublime & heavenly gift.

"Why should we attempt or wish to divorce man created on the scale of immortality, from the destiny to which God hath ordained him or the responsibility which God hath laid upon him & make him a mere creature of time?"

The young man by John Todd.

"As you sow so shall you reap" is a law of heaven as unalterable as any other law ever instituted by God.

February 24th. Bro. Wrocy arrives home accompanied by E. Bro. P. G. Antler.

For two nights past (ie. last night & to night) we have been entertained with ~~an~~ ~~an~~ an account of a very extraordinary ~~account~~ of case of somnambulism which witnessed in Germany in the year 1832. The patient was a Girl 16 years of age & said to be a very pious maiden; her mind inclining more to religious reading and meditation than than to the things of the world & more than common Girls of her age. During the stages of her magnetic sleep she

was visited by her Bro. who had left this world some years before, & who stated that he was commissioned to act as her guide to the habitations of departed spirits which was to visit, henceforth, first to the first second & last degree of the damned & then in a long succession of visits to the abodes of the blessed from the first to the 40th or 50th degree of felicity. The abodes of the unblest she stated to be above the earth but not in a planet. That they were in the least terrible degree in a climate where there was no light, & where the temperature was neither comfortably cold nor agreeably warm, but in the 1st degree of misery these circumstances were both increased in intensity & in the 3^d degree the darkness was so profound as to be palpable, & the temperature of the climate alternated from the most intense heat to a similar condition of cold, & continual cursing & execrations weeping & gnashing of teeth & gnawing of tongues, indicating a state of misery entirely inconceivable to mortals on the earth, & far far beyond the most exquisite torture which could be physically inflicted, but which they were said to be without any hope of termination thro' all eternity.

(80.) Feb. 25th 1846. ~~Thurs~~ Wednesday morning.

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She next was permitted to visit the abodes of the blessed which she stated were ~~many~~ situated in the moon Mercury Mars Venus Jupiter Sirius the Sun Uranus & the New Jerusalem as so many different degrees of felicity adding that these degrees went on increasing ad infinitum.

These places she stated were ~~filled~~ inhabited by the spirits whose blessed fortune it was to inhabit the heavens, from the circumstances of their good & virtuous lives while here on this earth. Besides these there were native inhabitants of these planets & stars & angels innumerable. The employments ~~most~~ of all were celestial & such as enabled them to increase in felicity forever. They had also habitations not unlike ours in form but in the architecture of which & those of earth there could not the least comparison be drawn! they so far exceeded. There were also ~~low~~ trees mountains waters flowers gardens streets cities &c &c but of all of which in respect to comparison with those earth there could be no parallel drawn on account of their inconceivable superiority. Besides all this which compared with the original transcript is but a dust in the balance.

she stated several curious matters & facts. She said the real day of the birth of our saviour was 1835 years ago on the 30th day of December between 3 & 4 o'clock in the morning. and not upon the day which we had always celebrated to that effect. She divulged several murders which had escaped legal detection. She mentioned many individuals who had died both formerly and latterly both of acquaintances and strangers of Peasants and Great men of martyrs & those who had died a natural death, &c. &c. She also stated some medical remedies which were not heretofore acknowledged to possess any curative virtues but which upon trial were found to be what she stated them to be, & very powerfully medicinal. She stated people in heaven were grouped according to their natural genius a ^{fact} ~~master~~ which I have long believed. Also that color kindred nation religion tongue ~~talents~~ ^{Station} calling dignity or title made not the least difference of superiority or inferiority in any degree in heaven, nor in the awards which were received by each, from the hand of God, but all re-

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and a reward according to their good or evil deeds & that alone (83.)
that to inherit the Kingdom of Heaven it was necessary
absolutely for a person to repent & turn to God by a life
of righteousness & to be regenerated and born anew
entirely as it respected a sinful nature, or never see the
Kingdom of Heaven. Concerning the abuse of the sexes with
each other & individually she said it was not scarcely in the
power of angels to express the horror & abominableness of these
crimes especially when they were attended by the awful
additions of infanticide procuring abortions & suppressing
the powers of procreation &c &c for the sake of more gratification.
She many times remonstrated against these things in the
most unqualified terms & also exhorted all around her to
repentance and a sinless life in prayers and entreaties so
affectionate & loving that all around her were frequently
melted to tears by these scenes. At the close of her visit she
gradually recovered from her somnambulism as she foretold &
by the medicines which she prescribed for herself during her
~~unqualified~~ magnetic sleep. And thus ends my detail of

42) This wonderful case; a case which perhaps has no parallel in the history of the past or present, ~~and~~ taking it in all points of view. P. 6. 7. Note in conclusion. It may be well to say, that the disclosures in a spiritual point of view are essentially the same concerning the spiritual ^{world} as those which have been made by our own inspir'd individuals for several years or since Mother's work began; & all the doctrines of ~~Helen~~ a Holy life which she has held forth to the world are in accordance ^{with} our own tenets of religion ~~the trinity~~ the expressions "Trine God", "Holy Trinity" &c. forming the only exceptionable ideas to this proposition. We call God "the Eternal two in One" instead of "Three in One". The last of our wheat in the "Big Barn" was ~~also~~ thresh'd ^{on} ~~the~~ day & clean'd up to day. Good News this.

Feb. 26th 1848. Ox-teams hauling long logs this snowy time. This morning at 5 o'clock the Mercury stood at 0° Elder Bro. Philip Antes goes home. Law & litigation still at present in the peaceful town of Union Village. This is very satisfactory. O that we could labour and pray continually until we could gain the beautiful & heavenly spirit of sweet repentance! God, Help us!

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February 26th 1846. Thursday "This day Jas. Smith
an aged Bro. who has helped me teach all winter left the school.

Feb. 27. Brethren procuring Ice from the ponds for
refrigerating purposes in the summer season. It is to be
stored in our new house cellar. Weather continues cold & very
chilly.

February 28. 1846. The last day of winter. Saturday at
that. Fare Well Old Winter. "Thou art now gone and thy
scenes of trouble have pass'd away with thee never to be for-
gotten by me. I hope I never may be call'd on to pass
thru the same circumstances which have fallen to me during
this the most

But perhaps I had better rally my spirits a little instead
of chilling my soul with gloom and unmitigated horror
in the retrospect of the past. As I have heretofore so will I
henceforth do my duty at the sacrifice of all other things &
gain the victory if I die in the good cause which I have
been long engag'd in. I feel an invincible determination to
persevere to the end thru tribulation & make any & every sa-
crifice required of me in this blessed Gospel. A.C.H.

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March. 1st 1846. Sabbath day. Meeting at home
Nothing extraordinary about. Principal drift of the
ministration on the side of the spirit of Repentance.
Religious movements in the country round in-
dicative of the spirit of God among the children of the
world. Perhaps the great stone which God has so
often in these latter days declared he would set in motion
th in the earth has begun visibly to roll. At least if we
may ~~so~~ safely conclude that this is the case if we are to
judge from the resistless & manner in which the spirit now
extant among certain classes of people in the country sweeps
of unceremoniously all the dogmas creeds ceremonies & false
notions of the established churches so called, as the following wit-
nesseth. At Cincinnati there is a branch of the new spawning
from the Millerite sect who call themselves Jacobites & who
preach & profess the doctrine of celibacy in its strictest sense, bearing
a continual cross against the flesh in every shape & also public
auricular confession of the most secret and filthy crimes of lust
or any thing else which they have heretofore committed. End

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March 3^d. 1846. Friday. Clear and pleasant.

There is a man who calls the Watless prophet who preaches prophecies & writes and who is considered insane. He tells the Jacobites that the milberites that Christ has indeed come again to the earth according to their calculations ~~it~~ but they know not where he has appeared. That he can assure them that he has appeared and dwells among the Shakers and there they must go if they would find him. He lectures publicly and gratuitously & denounces in the strongest terms the ~~present~~ corruptions and abuses of the present age. And lately he has run the line which is to be the ^{circumference} ~~right side~~ of the New Jerusalem. It ~~surrounds~~ ^{embraces} the City of Cincinnati. From thence east west north & south about 28 or 30 miles square. The Ohio river I believe is the Southern boundary, the two Miamis the East and West, & a line running East & west a ~~little~~ ^{short} about 28 or 30 miles north of Cincinnati. Its Northern boundary so much for the religious commotion of the immediate neighbourhood around. No doubt something is indicated by all this.

7.] March 3^d 1846. Tuesday. We yet continue the school and 83

I should not regret it much if ~~at~~ we should be favoured with sufficiently good weather to go to work when we should close the school immediately.

March 4th Wednesday. Clear. Wells is 15 years old today. The school is almost run out, and passes on very heavily at this time. No odd, old man you've got to stand it! So you can go right along making no fuss! being a damned old shaver the "hultum".

March 5th 1846. Very pleasant and agreeable weather over head and very soft and muddy under foot. Snow disappearing fast. Sister Lorina W. Rollins is now at the First Family, taking the benefits of the Hydropathic system of medical practice, for a severe stricture in her side. I had a very pleasant interview with her this morning. She says among other things that Elizabeth Durell alias Scott & husband are coming among Believers. I have seen and conversed with Elizabeth and am quite prepossessed in her favor.

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March 7th 1846. Saturday.

To day our School (First Family) Closed. Boys eager to get out on the farm to work. They are also very restless and insubordinate owing no doubt to their long confinement in school.

Well! I have now tried the experiment which I proposed to my self in the commencement of school, teach. Teaching the First Family to themselves & having the Second Order children taught at home or in a separate apartment that all contact & communication with First Order Boys might be strictly avoided. Also to teach my scholars half daily. And the experiment has resulted in my entire conviction that this is decidedly the best plan, not only in consideration of the improvement of the scholars in learning, but also in a moral & spiritual point of view. And having had several years experience in teaching the District School in this place I feel altogether adequate to a correct decision upon this point. I have never known the scholars to improve as fast in any preceding session as they have in this nor to behave so well.

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88. (9.) March 8th 1846. Sabbath day. Extremely pleasant. (89)

Chh. Meeting, was very good. I was overwhelmed by the flows of Heavenly power & a gift of divine inspiration too big for utterance. Yea! which left the power of human language far! far! behind the ability to delineate. See the spiritual Journals of the day.

March 9th Elder John goes to Whitewater.

March 12th Thursday. Mortimer Wells is 13. years old this day. "We are at present chopping wood.

March 13th Friday. Elder John returns from White Water.

Jacobites coming out from Cincinnati to White Water.

Editor of the Midnight Cry was obliged to leave Cincinnati & flee to the Rising Sun to escape utter destruction as was formally announced by the Mayor of the City.

He continues his paper under the "Head of ^{Day} the Morning Star".

March 13th Received two large Bibles for the use of the children's Order.

March 14th Saturday. We filled the Dryhouse with "Substances". Weather windy & bright but cold & chilly.

(90.) March 15. 1845. Sabbath Day.

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Chh. Meeting exhibited nothing striking and peculiar. Quite lately I had the following dream. I was fishing in a place of water & the first fish I drew out was a large ~~sucker~~ mud-sucker which when I took the hook out of his mouth & laid him upon the grass submitted without resistance to his fate.

No. 2. was a fish of the same ~~size~~ size but not a mud-sucker but beautifully variegated with color & great brilliancy of skin. He likewise quietly submitted to his fate which like that of the first, was death.

No. 3. was of the same size as ~~both~~ the other two but otherwise entirely different. Its head was like the convex side of a glass over a watch with eyes directly on the top thereof. When I had disengaged him from the hook and laid him on the ground he looked full in my face & exclaimed "I mean to kill you" I then placed him with the rest & he complained bitterly of the cruel fate of death by suffocation to which I had doomed him.

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As this was a dream which considerably affected my mind I thought would make a memorandum of the same and see if any thing would hereafter transpire which would ~~it seem~~ to seem to have been prefigured by it.

March 16th Moses W. Thayer goes on to the farm and quits the Blacksmithing business pro tem.

Andrew W. Baty resigns his team and is succeeded by Daniel Miller. (Same Wilson Josh. Clinton, Sarah Nichols. Lydia Hollis, all of the Senior Order sisters in Ecclesia or nearly so.)

March 17. C. D. Hampton is 3th years old to day. Tuesday. The large lekh. Well was moved from off the 2^d House to the North side of the 1st House.

Peter Boyd goes to Cincinnati. Same Lucy accompanied him for the purpose of receiving medical Treatment for a severe rupture which threatens to terminate in Strangulated Hernia.

Minors dressing Flax and chopping wood. End.

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March. 1846.

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March 18th Wednesday. Peter Boyd & Sam^l Loscy returning
The Faculty having pronounced him not ruptured
but say that his disorder is a vascular enlargement
in the lower extremity of the sub-diaphragmatic viscera
About this time the P^d Order purchase & erect a
Family Bell. Broⁿ

Bro. Joshua Kalloway and his company of 7 little
boys are now employd in paying the indemnity of
30 odd cords of wood ~~to~~ to the P. Order (cutting
the same in their wood lot) in consideration of the
aforesaid sum which we reciev'd of them as
a loan during the past winter.

My company are cutting our winter's wood. "Ends my lay"

March 19. Thurs. A very pleasant shower A.M. Clear P.M.
Grass springing up fast. We were shifting oats at the Big
Farm. Can't convince Bro. J. Lilipon that learning
is preferable to play. But he is young yet and may
yet convinced of his fatal error in time to redeem his
wasted moments.

March. 1846.

March 20th Friday. I suppose that what is called the Equinoctial storm is now on hand. Raining weather. I am very doubtful of the correctness of our plan for raising sheep, from the constant sickness and misfortune & death which are continually thinning their ranks, and which has been our painful prerogative to behold for several years past.

Indeed I am satisfied that our plan of pasturing sheep is highly reprehensible. I do not at all believe it is right to pasture sheep upon recently manured ground, nor to have them but a short time upon the same pasture. I am also of the opinion that land, which been many years in pasture, abounds in many noxious & poisonous weeds and insects which when the poor sheep is obliged to eat, produces the most fatal effects, by deteriorating their blood to such an extent as to render it wholly unfit for the healthy development of their

March 21st min. to white.

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Physiological structure. "But this is all none of my business so I will forbear saying any thing more about it, seeing that the means of remedying the evil ~~is~~ may easily be seen from the description of it.

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March. 29th Sabbath. This week hath been very cold windy rainy chilly & changeable. Our beloved Ministry have been all the week at White Water and have not yet returned therefrom.

I will now retire within the precincts of my family duties and my particular home and live in

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(96.) March. 1846. It is now midnight & I (98) 17.

have just returned from my tour of watching.

"But we must continually pray for the protection of God our Heavenly Father over our temporal as well as spiritual interests for" If the Lord keep not the city the watchman crieth in vain.

Some have a kind of sense peculiar to themselves that if we walk about the streets of Shakerstown thro' the night and guard & watch all her ingress & egresses, ~~we~~ we may by these presents, supersede the necessity of imploring the divine protection of God upon our goodly home—stead thereby essaying to make the gift of Prayer to God of none effect by our traditions & putting our poor shortsighted and unenergetic works in the stead of God's Almighty power and protection. But I have not so learned Christ especially as he hath manifested himself in his last communication to the saints at Union Village

87.) March. 1846. Tuesday night. 12 1/2 o'clock. (92.)

(via) the Mother chh. on "the duty, nature, & effects of the spirit of Prayer;" — From a strict attention to this invaluable communication we may learn that constant & sincere aspirations & prayer, for the divine favour and protection, is ~~absolutely~~ absolutely & indispensably necessary to our prosperity, in addition to all ~~that~~ those works which we may happen to be able to do in securing our own interests, and upon which we are so ready to value ourselves; & which we are so very apt to suppose to proceed from ourselves, when all the time when we are dependent on God's power ~~for~~ wholly for ability to do any & every thing productive of good to ourselves or others.

Jesus Christ was the best, wisest, & most powerful man who ever liv'd on the earth, & he declar'd that "of himself he could do nothing" and I have yet to learn that any man since his time has so improv'd upon ~~than~~ himself as to be able to do good of himself. If this

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matter then remains, the same as it was in Christ's day how extremely dependent are we on God for ~~our~~ safety & protection not only in matters over which we can have no control but also how very dependent are we or should we be on the power of the Most High even for strength and capability to do our duty as far as ~~we~~ refers to those matters which are supposed to be plac'd under our control. "Therefore being fully persuaded in my own mind of the necessity of imploring the divine blessing to rest upon my labors after I have even done my whole duty, I shall close this article for the present, and on my bended knees, pronounce this, my last prayer before going to rest O Heavenly Father!

"I lay my 'body' down to sleep

"Let Holy Angels guard my head

"And thro' the hours of darkness keep

"Their nightly vigils round my bed

Watts. with interpolations { O. C. Hampton.

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March 1846.

March 31st Tuesday Pleasant weather with cool nights. Wind N. East.

Our good Ministry arriv'd home from White Water.

The Jacobite Conference convened at White Water per agreement, and amounted to about 115 persons. After the 2^d day they began gradually to disperse and came and went more or less for some days. Four or five several families joined the Believers amounting perhaps to 20 or 30 persons. There are at present no less than 40 children at White Water.

E. Jacobs Editor & publisher of the Day-Star or Morning Star publish'd at the Rising Sun came to the conference, but instead of setting out as some of his disciples did, stated that he had a further ~~work~~ to do in the world. These Jacobites are evergreens.

Of course the doctrine of the eternal endurance of the natural body is untenable which it requires but a few ~~old~~ years to prove to every individual. Ends my lay.

April 1st 1846.

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"Wednesday. Cold east & north east wind, in the morning. More pleasant in the evening.

"Brethren & boys fishing on the Warren County canal. Caught perhaps 10 Bushels. Pretty good luck.

Mr. 2. This day I am twenty nine years old. P. C. Hampton. Elder John made a short visit to the Boys' room this morning. Says that the Jacobites are great at quoting scripture, that they stumble not at the doctrine of a spiritual Mother in the New-creation; & believe this our institution to be the true Chh. & second appearing of Christ, &c &c.

It is their belief that ~~the~~ the present government of the United States will not continue long, & that President will be the last one who will serve in it as president, being the tenth king spoken of in who should reign for a season but not possess a Kingdom &c. all which corresponds with the prophecy of a colored man near Southtunion who testified that Pres^t Polk would not serve out his term & said some other remarkable things in

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in relations to the government of these United States among which was that the present government would terminate one long and be succeeded by one of Universal emancipation &c.

Apr. 7. Tues. Very rainy all day long.

Apr. 8th Grading and piking the road at the cable-end of our New Kitchen in A.M. Tearing down and removing a shed from the North end of our cowbarn to make room for the Southern boundary of our New Garden. There is at this time a common spring routine of business going on. Cooper Machine started lately.

Apr. 9th Thursday. Minors still working at the West end of our New house. Making & shifting temporary walks &c. &c. Hard muddy day.

In our meeting this evening some editorial remarks were read by E. John, from the pen of E. Jacobs Editor of the Morning Star (a P. advent paper) relative to the gathering of the saints into one. Gives his opinion that this gathering together of the true Chh. is as ought to be among the Shakers. Also a letter from an advent Pm. whose name

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is Shepherd stating that he had seven children to the Shakers and that he & his wife with two more children intended soon to follow and likewise expressing a Hope that before long all the adventurists in New Boston would soon do likewise.

This day the chh. sold a cow & calf for 25\$ to W. Wm & Co. It is now concluded not to continue the cutting down of the Apple Orchard at the S. House, for which I am very ~~much~~ thankful, believing as I do that in such cases that wisdom, Prudence, Deliberation, and a timely look into the future are all profitable to direct.

April 11th Saturday. We finished levelling our garden and gathering out thereof every stone & brick which offendeth. To day we made a drain across the east end of our garden for the better draining of the same.

April 13th Monday. Bro. Gideon Houghes starts on a journey to Ky, expects to go to Frankfort & Pleasant Hill &c.

April 15th Wednesday. Bro. Amos, C. D. Hampton, J. Boyd & others to Lebanon attending the Ellen Rice suit.

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This suit is one of Ellen Rice versus John Rice. The plaintiff stating in substance among other things that the defendant had ceased to take care of her as her lawful husband and had left her without for a lawful divorce, & without providing her with the necessary means of a comfortable living, or something to this amount, as near as I can gather it from current report. "Go it Ellen. your Mama's rich!"

Elder John starts this morning for Water Vliet, in a buggy & alone. However freighted down to the Keel with ~~§71~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~. Rather a private expedition.

We are lifting our potatoes. A very cold & backward spring. Apr. half gone & no peach-trees yet in bloom. Apr. 16th Thurs. L. Boyd & C. D. Hampton return to court, from whence they were released about the past 10 o'clock in the forenoon. This society were disinvolved from the any connection in the case by the court. L. Boyd thinks nothing can be done for poor Ellen.

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Apr. 16th Thursday. We minors finish'd lifting our potatoes.

Apr. 17th Friday. This day the ~~Step~~-Father of Lenette
^{and Rosanna L. Lawrish.}
 S. Saurish came here from Cincinnati ~~to~~ take away the
 said girls, at the instigation of their Mother. We
 took them both. This is the last of the Dothermel & Saurish firm.
 The weather is now warm and very pleasant.

We commenced planting pepper-mint in the 5 acre lot,
 to day, We drop a sod of mint three or four inches
 square in a place, and 4 ft. apart. Farmers & mechan-
 ics preparing our additional saw-burn which was
 brought from the W. Lot, for raising.

Apr. 20th Elder John goes alone to Whitewater.

Apr. 21st Elder Bro. Philip having not met Elder
 John on the road to White water comes to Union Village

Apr. 21st Tues. E. & Bro. Philip returns. Weather very warm

Apr. 22^d Elder John returns from White water. We
 We finish'd planting mint 13 acres in all.

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Good Gift. By words Abrogated April. 26. 1846.

Apr. 23^d 1846. Bro. Gideon arrived home from Kentucky. He touch'd at Pleasant Hill as was anticipated when he started. Weather warm & rather damp with appearances of rain.

Apr. 25th Saturday rainy. Eclipse of the sun almost 6 digits.

Apr. 26. Sabbath. Chh. Meeting. After considerable exercise in the power & gift of God, the youth & children under 20 years of age were requested to retire to their homes & kneel in prayer when arriv'd there, also to keep the fear of God during the continuance of meeting.

Elder John then delivered a lengthy and very weighty address to the chh. on the subject of acknowledging obeying & respecting the order of God ^{on Zion,} anointed and appointed for the protection & safe-going of her inhabitants.

Also setting forth in terms not to be misunderstood

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The present state of things in regard to this matter. Here he disclosed the ~~truth~~ true and real whereabouts of some in the chh. in a very unenviable light & also the certain consequences of remaining in such a condition.

He said that our state was that of a most lamentable want, of confidence in the visible order of our protection, & a most heaven-daring & blasphemous speaking against every proceeding of the same! Judging faultfinding bantering & continually pulling down & not building up the gospel, ~~by~~ scattering weakness & spewing ^{out} at every opportunity their unreconciled feelings & their pretended sorrow to see the Order of God enter into so many imprudent & destructive measures & so many ~~fatal~~ arrangements fatal to the present & future prosperity of the chh; thus constantly ministering

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weakness darkness & death & filling the minds of all ~~who~~ with whom they dare associate with opposition and feelings of malignant hatred towards the very order & medium thro. which they can alone find any tract or ever gain salvation, & thro. whom alone they can ever hope to receive power from on High to become the sons of God in the life after this.

On this subject he spoke with a greater degree of power, than I ever heard from his mouth before. He said that the end was come to this spirit. That

This way of proceeding must stop it will stop & that no vain exculpations for what had pass'd would in anywise be received or accepted; That he wanted none to go to plastering nor cloaking under past dispensations for a hiding place & a covert from the preceding implications

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for these defenses would not sustain them, for the days were at an end when wherein these who had walked in this ungodly manner would be able to stand any more in the same.

During his discourse he several times applauded with great energy to the faithful part of the Bro & S. for a corroboration of his position, and was as energetically responded to & sustained by every faithful believer. His closing remarks consisted in not only advising all who had been guilty of these heave-daring sins to confess and forsake the same speedily, but rigidly requiring every faithful believer to open every case wherein they had been employed as the hearer of any such communications as were alluded in his very solemn & weighty message. From the energy & ominous power with which

this discourse was delivered to the assembly and the firm and uncompromizing manner in which it was responded to by all the faithful part thereof, it would seem that this part of the Zion of God ~~would~~ ~~was~~ soon to burn with that unquenchable fire which would utterly consume the scorner of her Holy Order, & the abominable waster of her most precious treasures, & that ere long there would not be a dog to move his tongue in all God's Holy mountain, against the Order of the Lord's appointing. The power, force & pungency with which Elder John was inspir'd in delivering this discourse & the earnestness solemnity & true Godly fear with which he was possess'd & which he made every living soul feel deeply, thro' the whole scene, ~~and it~~ would seem sufficient to have not only to have intimidated but to have struck such a terror into that infernal spirit ~~at~~

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which he aimed his strictures, that it would never again dare to rear its Heaven daring front before the devouring fire of his Spirit or ~~among~~ among any of the devoted sons of courage & power who have enlisted, under the banner of the Holy & visible anointing of the most High God.

He required in conclusion^{sion}, that every faithful soul instantly separate from & shake off all that pertained to this diabolical spirit, together ~~without~~ with every one who should hereafter persist in fellowshiping it in the least, let them be who the might. And every one who should be so unfortunate as to hereafter be made a confidant for the hearing of such things as this fiendlike spirit might be disposed to communicate were very spiritedly instructed to make the same known to their Elders without delay. They were likewise required

to manifest upon all occasions both by word & actions such a decided disunion & ~~un~~unpromising severity towards this destroyer of the treasures of the Gospel, that ~~they~~ would feel that the fire in Zion was too hot for it or any of its adherents & that they must either obey their faith or be consumed by the unquenchable fire of destruction & seek, if so be they might find) a cooler element & no longer abide in the Zion of God to pull down & destroy her sacred Temples.

I have seen many meetings but never one before which exhibited the indisputable & soul convincing power of God ~~any~~ against which no weapon should prosper & before which no power could stand ~~with~~ ~~is~~ ~~in~~ in so irresistible a manner, & such uncompromising decision, as this days meeting afforded, thro' the medium of the head of the visible Order at N.Y.

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Apr. 29th Wednesday. John Reynolds minister in ecclesia)
 Apr. 30th Thurs. This day Bro. Enock Jacobs Ed. of the
 Day-Star, arriv'd here from the Rising Sun, on ~~the~~ visit
 to Union Village. Attended a meeting with the Chh. this
 evening. He seems to be a very sincere & religious man & departs
 himself in a manner totally independant of the popular
 notions of men on religious subjects in this day.

He acted very simple & believer like thro the meeting.

May. 1st Friday. A singing meeting was holden this
 evening by the First Family of the Chh. in which Bro.
 E. Jacobs was present. Several inspir'd Anthems were
 sung & in due times the seats were remov'd and the
 dance commened. Natives were present. Bro. Enock
 spoke during the meeting, at considerable length
 and in a very satisfactory & edifying manner.
 With regard to his condition of mind spiritually

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we think he is improving & will doubtless yet land in the haven of safety.

May. 2^d Bro. Enock starts for home Cloudy & misty.

We of the first Family planted our Corn today.

This day James Trindal is 12 years old.

May. 3^d Sabbath. This is truly a day of the outpouring of the Spirit of God. Since last Sabbath to the present time there hath been a very unusual degree of inspired communication & heavenly ministrations & yet it seems to increase. Thus the meeting this morning the heavens were near unto the earth & an inspired instrument saw the angels pitching their tents & their ~~inhab~~ Heavenly habitations close adjoining to their our earthly Zion upon the North side thereof.

I doubt not but our present condition is a mere precession of the great work of God which is now consummating in the earth & a work expressly calculated to

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May 4th Shear'd our sheep.

prepare the Chh. for that part of his Great Scheme
for ~~that~~ the Salvation of souls which Zion will yet
be call'd upon to carry out & perfect in ^{this} own time,
& which it is confidently believed will commence
ere long in a manner unparrelled by any former
period or dispensation since the foundation of the
Zion of God was laid ~~upon~~ in the earth.

It is a day of wonders! Yeal a day of wonders!

May 6th Wednesday. Roswell Bitter Case a child
who was 3 years ~~old~~ old on the 23^d day of April
1846. was admitted into the Chh. to day.

Bron Enock Jacobs arrives at Union Village from
or via White water. I cannot but tremble for him.

May 7th. Thurs. Peter Boyd returns from Cincinnati, having taken
the shell lately purchadd for the second Order back and got
a new one in its place. Verry rainy indeed danger of inundation
A certain man lately came down from Pennsylvania to Ohio &

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tell among the Shakers at Union Village. He stated that he had been sent thither to inform us poor benighted Shakers that we had idols and we must give them up; that we worship Mother Ann and she is an idol which we must resign. That he himself is a prophet of the most High God & the next in Order to Moses, that he left 400 or 600 Adventists waiting his word for future movement, that the Holy City was 15 hundred miles square & Union Village is about the center thereof, that the eastern side belong to Believers & the West to Adventists & that neither was to go over the line of separation between them without a special gift of God &c.

I fear this man's vessel is not "close-reef'd & mistress of the storm". Another very memorable relation.

This morning I was favored with an interview with Bro. Jacobs & C. F. Manselmann who gave me the following striking fact. They said that at Philadelphia & Baltimore the graves

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to the amount of three hundred or more recently opened & the spiritual ~~Bodies~~ Bodies of the dead therein arose & were seen by many of the adventists. They appeared to be shining lights more brilliant than the sun and arose & went into the cities of Balt. & Phil^a & were seen to meet with natural bodies who were passing the streets, come in perfect contact & yet were not seen by the natural bodies, ~~never felt~~ ^{did they} ~~neither~~ apprehend any concussion thereby.

A hole was found in the graves of those who were seen to have arisen, extending from the head of the coffin to the surface of the ground, about which no trace of earth could be seen to justify the conclusion that they had been made by digging or other physical means, nor any tracks or other impression by which physical operations could be detected or indicated. The graves which were opened were recognized to be those of colored persons formerly known to possess great piety & virtue in their lifetime.

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This circumstance of the resurrection produced great alarm and terror to the people of the vicinity, yet the Editors of the public Journals have brushed it up and will not suffer the publication of the same by any means.

Brethren Jacobs & Hammelman related this circumstance upon the testimony of their Bro Clarke & Fowler.

If this is not true it will yet be develop'd & if true, it will be here recorded.

May, 10th Sabbath. Waterlick Elders together with Br. Jacobs & Hammelman & Sisters Jacobs & Whaley, were present. Quite a good meeting tho. not so good as I wish'd. However I hope a good impression is made upon our Visitors. (Adventists)

May 11th Brethren ^{Enoch} Jacobs and Christopher G. Hammelman & Sisters Electa Jacobs & Sarah Whalley, return to White Water. Enoch expects to go to the Rising Sun & from

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there to the East. Elder Bro. Philip is here from White Water.

May 12th Tues. Eld Bro. Philip is here from White Water and returns this morning to his home. We are now wrapping the the apple trees with tow over which we daub tar,

~~chamomile~~ ~~garden~~ ~~go to~~ ~~Linnaea~~ to prevent the ascension of the canker worm, which is committing great ravages among our fruit trees this season.

¶ We shake down all the worms which we can before & after girdling with tow & tar. Quite a number of trees are already left without a leaf.

May 14th Thurs. Two of our Advent Brethren are now here with us from White Water recently, but from Michigan originally, where their home is. They attended meeting with us last evening & we had an uncommonly good one.

Bro. Hammselman is expected here this with his family from Cincinnati, together with perhaps more of our Advent Brethren from the same place. God speed the good cause.

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14th Thurs. Finished raising our new or (old new) barn for the accommodation of the cows in the First Family. It stands a few rods north of the ~~east end~~ upper end of our new garden.

We are now painting the Holy Sanctuary outside.

May. 16. Sat. An En-masse turn-out to hauling Tanbark from the tanyard (Gerowen) around the trees in our young Orchard. Got some of over half done to day.

May. 17. Sabbath. Catharine Proctor here this morning to see the Chh. meeting was remarkable for the circumstance of a goodly number of the Brethren taking the centre of the floor or a spot as eligible & signing out by some simplifying movement that they intended to obey the faith of the Gospel. The scene was quite solemn and impressive as well as spiritually edifying.

May. 18th An Adventist here from Portage Co. Ohio. Is advised to tree at Water-vliet which he expects to do.

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May 21st Thurs. Chh. planted 10 acres of Broom corn
three feet each way between hills. I wish it was all planted so.
Painting the paling around the Holy sanctuary. color to be yellow.
May 24th Sabbath. This day all Union Village assembled at
Schonah's Chosen Square Bro. E. Jacobs, & R. Thompson
& Sisters " Hamilton & Electa Jacobs being present.
Great power of God & much inspiration were mani-
fested & displayed. In some respects it was the greatest
meeting we ever had at Schonah's Chosen square.

Concerning my present condition I think thus. It has
fallen to my lot to take a particular charge of eleven,
& a general charge of nineteen boys whose ages range
between fifteen & four years, & in regard to the raising
of some of which, I defy any country under heaven
civilized or savage, to produce a greater extreme of degradation
& moral obliquity of character. Thus I am placed & as

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May 29.th Friday An adventist Family consisting of man woman & 4 or 5 children came here directly from New York, Very zealous bro. & sister in the Lord.

May 30th Saturday. Adventist Family move to the W. Wick

May 31st Sabbath. This morning one of the floors of our Dry-house collapsed about 5 o'clock & by this unfortunate accident about \$250 worth of pine boards was consumed together with the house. Also a raft of pine Logs worth \$300 was loosed from its moorings opposite bin and has gone no body knows where. The Logs were recently purchased by the chh. for the manufacture of Cooper-ware. "Woes cluster", don't they?

June 2^d Tuesday. Bro — Hamilton co Editor of the Day-star, Bro. — Southwick from Akron, Ohio & Bro Hull from — all arrived here this evening at 4 o'clock.

June 3^d Ministry arrive home from White Water. They report as much prosperity at that place as could be expected Temp. & Spiritually

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June 4th The season is very wet & it seems to me that the wheat is in danger of being blasted. But thy will O God be done. We have commenced cutting Grass, which is very good this year. "Forget not the poor and needy the widow & the orphan" "Bless the Lord, and forget not all (nor any of) His benefits" ^{righteous} "Psalms" How exceedingly, should we walk who have so great & glorious a privilege to be the objects of Our Heavenly Father's goodness and peculiar care.

This day Ann Duffy moves into the Church from the Gathering Order, she being a girl about 14. years of age. She lives in the First House, room No. 18. She is 14 years old Aug. 13. 1846. The man whom we engaged for that purpose is now erecting our lightning rods about our New building or Great House.

"It hails from Cincinnati. Rain, Rain Rain Rain Rain these times June 6. —

Adventist Movement — We learn that the Brick House which stands west of the West Frame Building is appropriated

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to the use of such of the Adventists as choose to come and make it their home, where they may live for a season & hold their own meetings — the Brethren are to work with the Believers but find their boarding at said house — & so they will remain until they may feel to advance forward into family order — & such as may not be able to find any increase, will of course work their own separation.

June 6. Saturday evening. This evening 8 or 9 several adventists came ~~with~~ ^{to} Ithamar.

June 9th. Tuesday. Elder Saml. Russell arrived here from North Union, accompanied by Bro. Philander C. Cramer & Sisters Inducence Johnson & Malinda Russell.

June 11th ^{up} Br. turned out Aug-Masse to hoe & clean out the 13 acres of mint (*Mentha Piperita*) which we now have under cultivation. Rain! Rain! Rain!
On the whole I think a too wet season is much preferable to one which is too dry. Six plows going in over our
to day.

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June 15. Mon. Elder John & North Union visiters go to White Water. Bro. Enock J. here from Rising Sun Electa at the Rising Sun & seems little inclined to return. Fowler, Adams & Southwick turned against believers. Some.

June 16th Bro. Thamar Johnson called home from the West Brick where he stood D in care & Bro. Hervey L. Eades sent there to fill the vacant chair.

An excellent nomination but hard parting. Fare Well, Bro. Hervey You will often think of the times and seasons which we have passed away together. Yours in the last expiring agonies of confidential friendship. C. C. Hampton.

June. 19. Fri. This morning Bro. Hervey L. Eades & C. C. Hampton start on an expedition to the rising sun, some say to preach. Enock also started for the same place. Mowing going on Boys Mac corn, potatoes & mint these times.

June 20th. Sat. We hear the melancholy tidings that the horses employ'd to convey our Br. Sis. to Rising Sun

frightened at a drag, near Hamilton & turned suddenly
about by which the bed of the carriage was thrown off the
wheels precipitating Passengers & baggage with some
considerable force upon the ground. Bro^r Henry
was considerably injured, but perhaps not seriously. The
Horses run away and entirely demolished the carriage
except the bed. Bro^r James Ball was in Hamilton
with a two horse team which the expedition availed
themselves of and proceeded upon their journey, Mr
picking up the straggling horses & vehicle with which
he returned home. Charles Hampson says whatever is, is right
but ~~you~~ can't make dis child believe dat ^{not o' religion} ~~arch~~, no way you
can tie him up (sub! sir!)

June 21st George M. Lawrence minus in Ecclesia. Oh
I hate this. I never endeavoured more assiduously to
do any thing than I did to save this child from
destruction, for I had a great attachment to him.

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June 22. To day Elizabeth Durelle (alias) Scott
 arrived at Union Village with the ostensible intention
 of staying or joining the Shakers. Wish her all success.
 We are now reaping our wheat which is good.
 We made a present to our good North Union friends
 of 13. several Milk-cows & a small calf or two.
 "Whoever giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord
 and that which he giveth will the Lord repay him
 again" I am very glad that this present was made
 to our good Br. & S. of N. U. much every way, chiefly
 because mercy is seasonable in time of affliction as
 showers of rain in time of drouth, & because good &
 kind actions not only beget Love but bring a great
 reward to those who exercise ~~it~~ both present & ever after.
 June 23^d Bro. C. Hampton arrived home this evening
 about 5 o'clock. Bustren having Broomcom this afternoon.

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June 30th Wed. Very rainy. We have had about 4 inches, by the rain gage since Saturday morning last. We have about 80 acres of wheat in the shock and there appears imminent danger of its sprouting. However if this is the will of God it surely is for the best, so I am determined to be reconciled to his dispensations of Judgements or mercies.

July 1st "If the first day of July be rainy weather
Cloudy. "Will rain more or less for forty days together."

Bro. Enock was here last week, and proposes to start East accompanied by Sister Electa Jacobs. Starts this week. My health these days is bad enough constant Dyspepsia.

We are now cutting our last field of wheat. Nothing very unusual occurs in our spiritual affairs, now-times and the gift of Inspiration is fast declining from its former life and perfection.

July 2^d Thurs. Still reaping wheat. Weather good no wheat sprouted as yet, after all the rain. We need more zeal spiritually.

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July 3rd Sat. finished reaping our wheat 96 acres in all.

July 4th Sat. Very warm. Chh. & D. James turn out to help Young Order reap. Finished all but about 3 acres.

There is much blessing in thus blessing our good friends.
July 5th Sat. Mrs. Enoch Jacobs brings his two boys
Enoch G. & Henry G. Jacobs to live in the chh. First Order

There is much blessing in thus blessing our good B. & S.
July 5th Sabbath. Enoch Jacobs brings two of his sons (viz)
Enoch George & Henry Blosson, to live in the First Order
among the children. The first 6. & the second 5 years old

July 6th Mon. Hauling in our wheat. Weather warm
July 8th Wed. We received two boys from the West
Briek (viz.) Wm Roberts aged 14. & John Hearlow Roberts
aged 12. years. Our company of boys no amounts to (32.)

Gift of inspiration nearly extinct among us at present.
Still it is a time of much labourious business & we
we are greatly favoured by Heaven in securing our wheat &c. &c.

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July. 9th Enock Jacobs is now here from Rising Sun together with his wife & two advent sisters (one colored) mowing is commencing gradually since reaping was finished.

Weather extremely warm for the season, & dry at that.

July 10th Fri. South Union Ministry arrive here this evening.

July 13. Mon. Bro. & sister Jacobs start on their journey for the east. Yesterday we bade them a final farewell at present. Sent much Love by them to the Eastern believers & all our advent Br. & S. in those parts.

July 14. Tues. This day Bro. Cephas Holloway leaves the Family in the Chh. and moves to the West Brick to stand in the Elders Lot in that place; and Elder James Mc. Armar moves from thence to the First Order. Bro. C.'s departure is very deeply regretted by all in the church. But let us be sure to be reconciled.

July 18th John. S. D. Nace Minister in Ecclesia. Further reflection useless.

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July 21st Tues. Died at his residence (West Brick) James Stott aged about 36 years. The deceased has been a believer about 8 months, but was very much loved by all his acquaintance. He died of an enormous engorgement of the liver, accompanied with strong dropsical symptoms. Fare well Bro. J. S. Boyd & Abiather return from Cincinnati July 22^d. —

July 22^d Wed. Bro. Laⁿ's funeral held this P.M. 2 or 3 hrs. Much sickness now prevails at the First Family.

July 28th Tuesday. I Oliver & Hampton & y. boys (to wit) Oscar Wells, Thos. J. Tilden, John Doctor, Wm. F. Roberts, Joseph M. Dwyer, Mortimer Wells & Mrs. W. Roberts, moved from the "Boys Order" into the New House. Otherwise times are very barren of incident.

August 8th. Chh. finish'd their harvest having been at it for the space of 2 months & 8 days. Much favour'd we have been in securing the fruits of the earth & very plentiful crops. Thanks.

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Aug 9th Sabbath morning Oscar Wells Minus in Ecclesia.

Aug. 10th Mon. The great Advent-conference opens at
 Enfield New-Hampshire to day Bro^r Enock Jacobs present.

We are at work on the roads to day.

Aug. 11th Tues. At work upon the roads. Elder Brother
 Philip Antes here from White Water.

Aug. 12th Ministry (Friday) return from W. Vliet having
 been absent one week. Aug. 14th Mon. Moved a house for fitting.

Aug. 16th Sat. Elder John to "White Water."

Aug. 18th Tues. Elder John returns. Little news now.

Aug. 23^d As many (sabbath) as had a feeling in the
 First Family were allow'd to attend meeting at the M. House
 with the West Brick Yam. They being all who came to
 Public meeting to day. We had a most excellent meeting.
 After noon meeting was excellent also. Inspiration again
 reviv'd. "This is good!" I pray God it may continue. Not times!

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Aug. 25th Tues. Moved Miller to Genia with marketing &c.

The following arrangement was made 8 or 9 days ago. Samuel M. Losey & John Proctor drove the Oxen of H. M. and A. W. Katy takes Samuel's Horse team.

Aug. 30th Sabbath. Good chh. meeting. Much inspiration. After singing Meeting (eve.) we proceeded to the tree of mercy and forbearance (planted before the door of our New house in 1844.) & thence to the Holy Mountain opposite the Ministry's Shop where we had considerable lively exercise & speaking both by inspiration & otherwise, after which we returned to the Meetingroom where we had a refreshing season of the givings of the spirit for an hour or more and then retired to our rooms. It is now a very solemn and weighty day with the chh. and "The searcher of hearts is among us" according to inspir'd testimony. And wo! to the soul who cannot bear his inspection, and meet him to his acceptance.

